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Foreword . . .

When the administration of North Central decided that the all-important first year of the new school should be recorded in a yearbook, many people said it couldn't be done. Some even said it shouldn't be attempted.

But a sponsor was hired, a staff hastily recruited from early registrants, and both sponsor and staff spent two weeks of intensive planning and training at the summer journalism institute for high school students.

In September, the inexperienced staffers began to realize what a gigantic task they had undertaken. School opened with only one and a half of the main wings finished. Many classes were in temporary quarters. Important sections such as the gym, the home economics department, the auditorium, and the industrial arts wing were still in the construction stage. The student center was an impassable mess of materials, and passers from A to B wing had to go outside and around the building. Outside, giant bulldozers stirred up clouds of dust as the grounds were leveled off and prepared for landscaping.

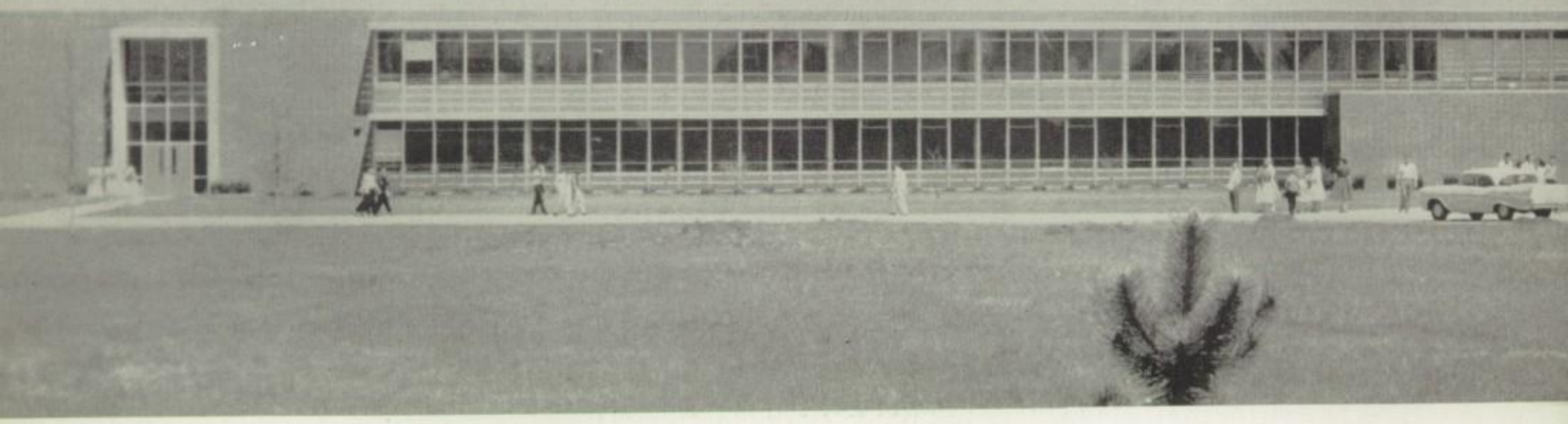
Clubs were being formed, new policies set up, and new students arrived daily. No traditions were available to fall back on.

The sponsor, who had spent seven years perfecting an organization at another school, had forgotten what it meant to start at the bottom of the ladder again; the staff, facing a new and unknown experience, had difficulty realizing the inevitability of deadlines. Perhaps their most irksome adjustment was in acquiring the patience to plug away, waiting nine months before the final results of their work could be seen.

If it had not been for the unusually kind cooperation of administerial and teaching staff, the freely given aid of parents during money making projects; the patience and helpfulness of photographers Earl Loudermilk, Bob Stalker, and Dick Brier; and the assistance of David L. McConnell, publisher, the book could not have been completed.

The task often seemed impossible, and sometimes unbearably tiresome, but through it all the staff kept up its morale with amazingly few clashes of temperament. By the end of the long preparation period, the young people had begun to feel more like a unified group and to realize the seriousness of their project.

Most of all, they realized that theirs was a unique honor—they were the creators of the first "Northerner" to be issued in North Central. They had earned their place in history.



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NORTH CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL
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In The Beginning . . .

Parents were canvassed in a fund drive to launch the school building program. Larry and his mother, Mrs. Claude Warren, were delighted when Mr. Robert Hammer told them the new high school would soon be built.

Cornerstone laying for the new school was a momentous occasion attended by parents and future students on May 4, 1956. Mr. Kenneth Foster, president of the Washington Township-Marion County School Building Corporation, gave one of the speeches while Mr. A. Hamilton Gardner, president of the Board of Education, and Mr. Dean B. Smith, principal of North Central High School, looked on.

Students dodged bulldozers and bypassed piles of rubbish on the way into the building past the uncompleted theater. *(Center)* Chuck Harrison, Marilyn Knoebel, and Sandy Jacklin wondered if B wing would ever be ready for occupancy. *(Right)* In those early days, this view of the theater gave no hint of what would later be a beautiful, colorful auditorium for student and community use.

Hard Work Makes a Dream a Reality

IT ALL BEGAN . . . long before the first pupil entered the doors of North Central on opening day. It began with a dream in the minds and hearts of Washington Township parents. But the dream stage soon passed and a multi-million dollar building began to rise in the field that once was overgrown with weeds.

Getting a new school started was a terrific job. Financing, selecting an architect, approving plans, hiring administrators and teachers, deciding on the curriculum, buying equipment, and a myriad of other details had to be settled.

Somehow or other it was all accomplished and on September 5 the doors opened as scheduled; even though B wing, the cafeteria, the auditorium, gym, and several other sections were still unfinished. Registration exceeded expectation since only 950 were anticipated, and actually, 1083 boys and girls enrolled.

The first few months were made hectic by competition with bulldozers outside, and pneumatic hammers inside. But gradually the unfinished parts of the building were completed, classes moved into permanent quarters, and North Central settled down into its role as the newest high school in Marion County.

Mr. J. Everett Light, Superintendent of Schools in the Metropolitan School District, Washington Township, Mrs. Ruth Davis, Board of Education member, Mr. Dean B. Smith, Mrs. Selma Pond, president of the North Central Triangle Club, A. H. Gardner, president of the Board of Education, and Mr. Kenneth Foster.

Interviews with teachers took up much of Mr. Light's time during the summer. The school board had directed that he obtain the best possible teachers for the new faculty and the task took a long time George Oberle was a successful applicant.

Early registrants, accompanied by parents, talked to Dr. Gene Schwilk, Director of Student Personnel, concerning subjects to be taken. Mrs. A. C. Elles and Sandy were among those who consulted him during the summer months.

Miss Geraldine Bagby, junior girls' counselor, advised Brenda Williamson about her schedule. Six persons assisted pupils in planning their four-year programs and in choosing future vocations. Their concern was to help boys and girls make better adjustments in their school lives.

THE FIRST YEAR . . . was probably the most exciting that would ever be experienced in any school, by either pupils or faculty. And when it was all over, everyone was amazed at how much had been accomplished.

From a half-finished building to a smooth-running organization was the record made in less than nine months. Perhaps the most difficult task lay in the necessity for molding into a North Central student body, boys and girls whose loyalties were deep-rooted in other schools. But eventually it became "our school," not "the way we did it at . . . !" Loyal North Centralites emerged from the melting pot.

Pupils at the new school were under much pressure for they had to get accustomed to an entirely new faculty, different routines and regulations, longer class periods, and numerous other changes from their former school patterns. Faculty and administration were under similar pressure. But together all accomplished the Herculean task of establishing the Washington Township high school—North Central.

In This Our First Year . . .

Everything we did was new this year. We met an entriely new faculty; we made new friends at dances and other social affairs: we chose colors, mascots, and songs. *(Left)* Jean Guldager and Betty Rabinowitz greeted Miss Julia Morrow on opening day. *(Center)* Sherry Sutton, Cobina Feracane, and their guests enjoyed intermission at the Valentine dance. *(Right)* Terry Martin and Linda Parrish admired the North Central Panther mascot which traveled regularly to games with its owner.

Student Council members spent a large part of the first year in organizing, writing a constitution, and planning future action. But one project that was started early, was the formation of a Safety Council to improve driving habits of North Central teen-agers. Dan Harlan, Linda Porteous, and Sam Bangs examined a safety poster to get ideas for a campaign.

We Set the Pace for the Future

We recited our lessons in beautiful, colorful rooms; we signed up for an athletic program; and we took part in activities with other schools. *(Left)* David McPheat volunteered in Spanish class while Jean Guldager and Tom Robb listened. *(Center)* Mr. Cloncs and Mr. Wood interviewed basketball hopefuls. *(Right)* Dorothy DeShano and Dick True discussed their trip to the UN headquarters in New York which they visited while on a tour with representatives from city high schools. These were only a few of the activities set up this year.

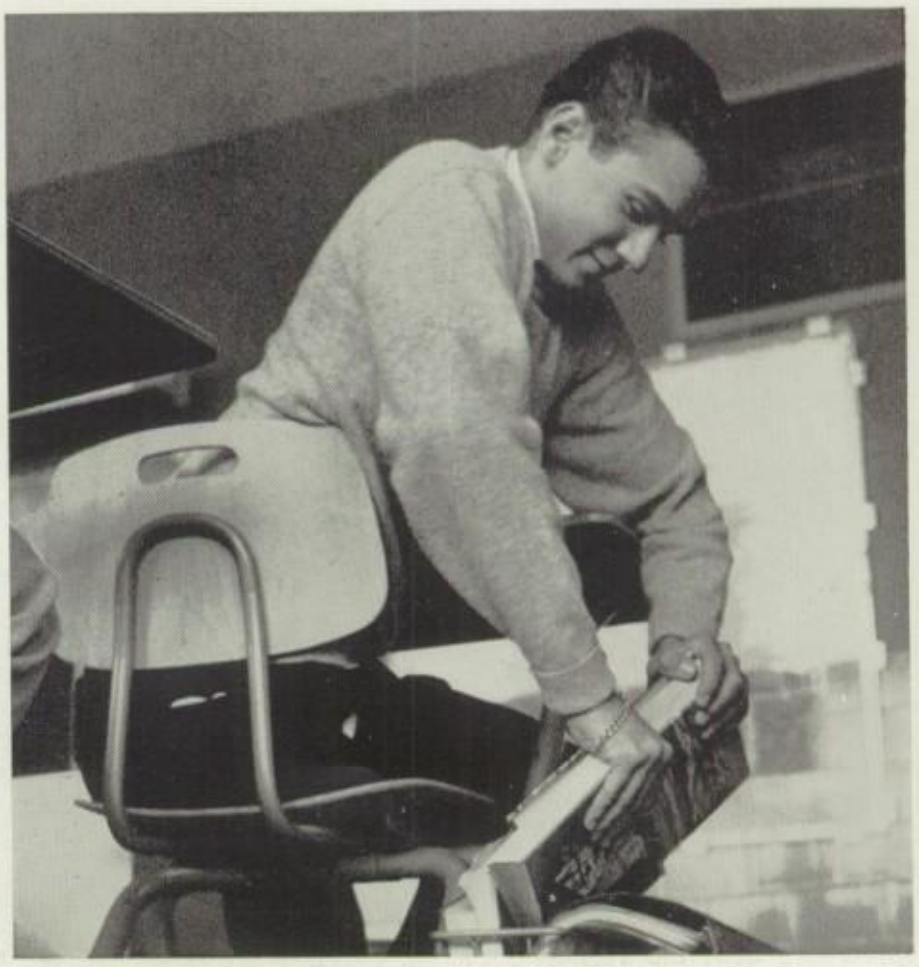
Our First Days in the New School

The first day in high school is usually a thrill experienced only once, and by a freshman. But sophomores and juniors relived that experience when they entered North Central on opening day.

There were new friends to make, old friends to discover, strange rooms to locate, and stubborn lockers to conquer. Faculty members were strange to all classes, not just to the beginners.

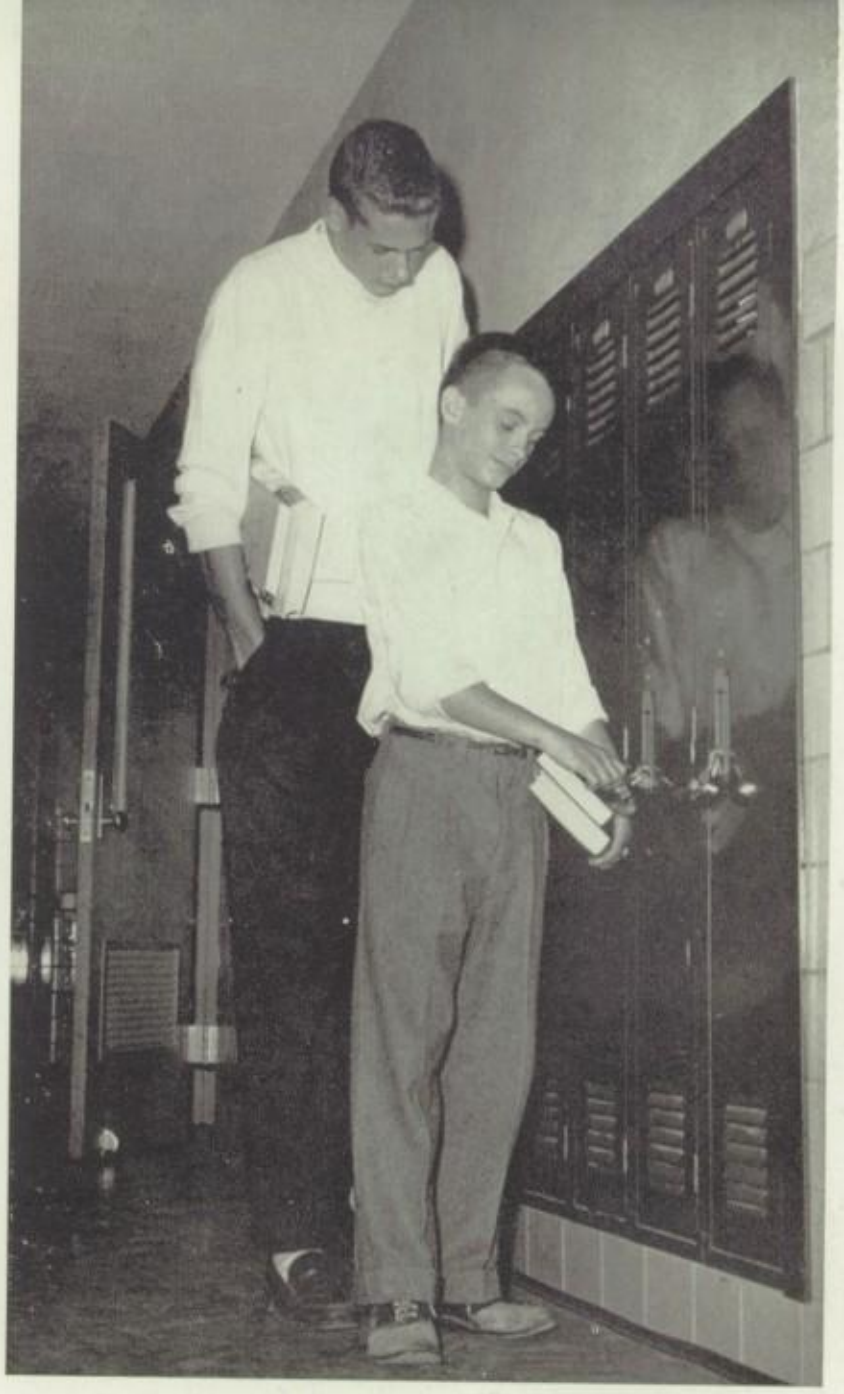
The first day was joyful excitement. Reunions in the hallways created traffic jams. Piles of construction materials had to be carefully bypassed. Bells rang unexpectedly as the electrical system was adjusted. School was in session only a half day, since the cafeteria was not ready; but teachers stayed for a training session later. Nevertheless, organization was effectively accomplished.

(Left) Barbara Sears, one of the first persons to enter the new building, paused to gaze in amazement at its colorful interior. *(Below)* Jim Wells tried out one of the new desks. Many types were included in the furnishings as a test for the best kind to buy for future replacements Chalk boards were not yet installed but all movable equipment was in place.



Are Discovery Filled

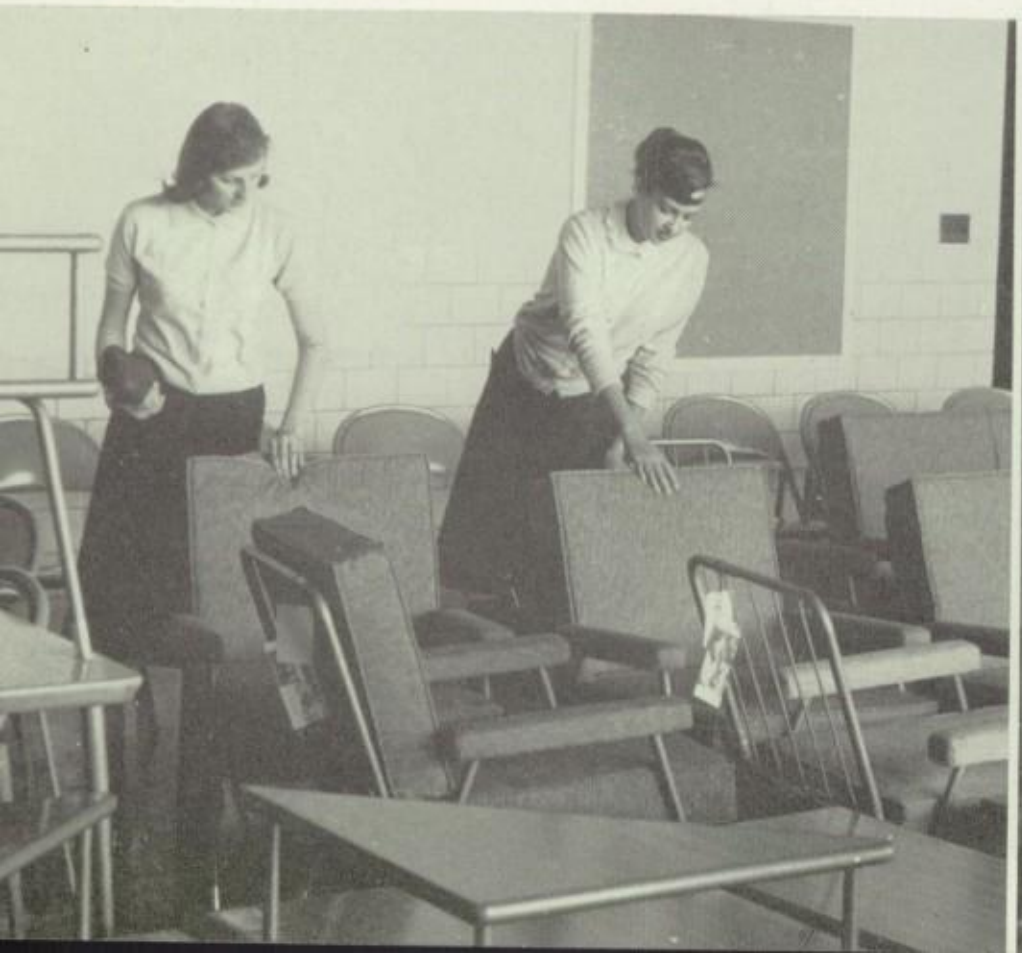
Gary Vaughn, Mike Clark, Amy Coffin, Martha Herrin, Georgianne Kerstad, and Bonnie Barr greeted one another joyfully when they met in the halls for the first time.



Jim Cluley and Bob Beckman tried to figure out the combination of one of the new lockers. Even the upper classmen were at a loss, for this was a new type of lock.

Marilyn Knoebel and Helen Hughes sneaked a preview of the furniture for the teacher's lounge, as it was delivered to the school. New equipment arrived daily all that first semester.

Construction of the beautiful cantilevered staircase in the Student Center attracted "side-walk superintendents", such as Lynn Parish and Susie Gaunt, all the first semester.



Musicians in the school were the first to use the new equipment. Nancy House played the piano, one of 6 small ones purchased for the school, while Jim Harris beat a complicated rhythm on a set of drums painted in the school colors of black, red, and white.

Developmental reading facilities were rated among the best in the state. Mrs. North assisted Bill Iles with the accelerator to increase his reading speed while Pat Rardon used a tachitron tachistoscope without assistance.

Equipment in the New School is Beautiful,

North Central parents and visitors inspecting the school expressed amazement when they saw the above-average equipment provided. They also were impressed with the use of color in the building, for nearly every hue in the rainbow is utilized in the walls, ceilings, floors, peg boards, and other furnishings.

The "plus" equipment includes closed television circuits in each classroom, connected with aerials on the roof so that outside programs as well as those in the school can be televised; a private elevator and phone booths; a public address system that can reach every room; a switchboard for phones; and drive-in delivery entrances for transferring equipment and furnishings to the stage.

Science rooms provide better facilities than those found in many colleges. Microscopes, test tubes, specially equipped tables, burners, charts of all kinds, plaster models, chemicals, and many other items are used in providing a five-year science course in four years.

Art students were especially fortunate in being able to use the most modern type of equipment. Becky Teague found modeling a clay dog easy, when her work was placed on an artist's turn-table.

(Left) Judy Martin studied her experiment in Mr. Prettyman's unusually attractive biology room, one of five composing the Science Department. *(Right)* Karen Roessler and Bill Buehler were interested in a realistic model of the heart.

Modern, and Above-Average in Its Scope

North Central recognized the need for a Developmental Reading program that would reach all of its pupils. One room is already equipped with 30 individual booths, 265 reading books, 240 special reading skill books, 30 reading skill films, and such machine aids as shadowscopes, accelerators, and tachitron tachistoscopes. Expansion is planned.

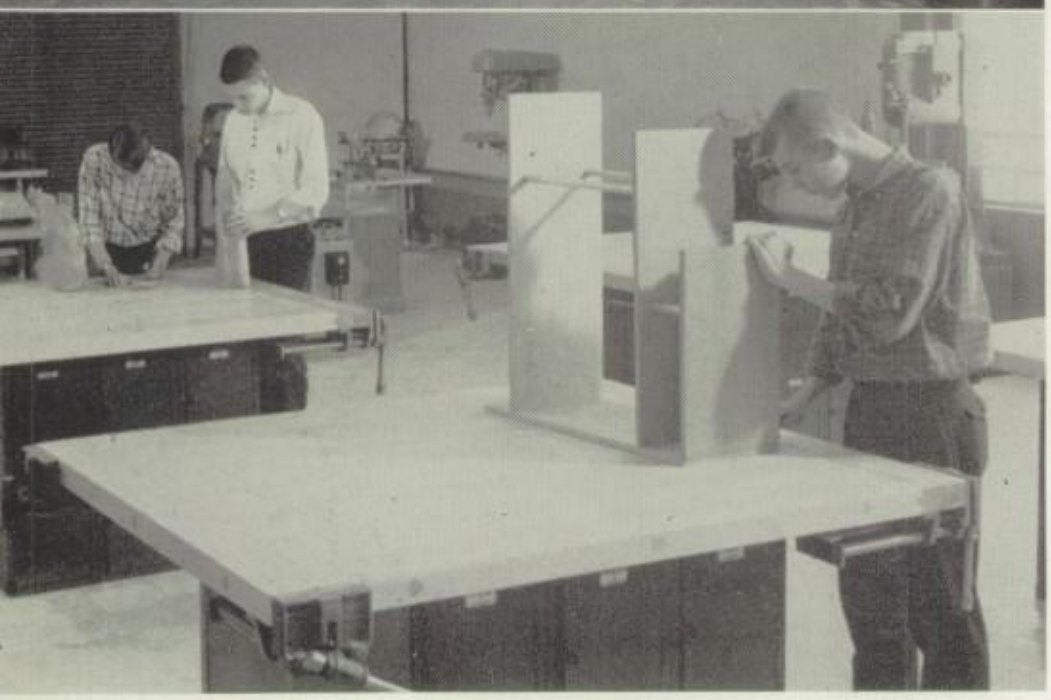
Art students have all sorts of equipment to use in painting, drawing, sculpturing and making ceramics. An unusually large electric kiln, special combination seats and easels, large work tables, individual sculpturing stands, and many other items make the three-room Art Department one of the finest of its kind in the state.

Musicians are conveniently placed in a secluded area where they can practice to their heart's content without disturbing anyone. Private rooms off each classroom provide still further facilities. Instruments provided by the school include oboes, bassoons, baritone saxes, clarinets, horns, percussion drums, and a complete dance drum outfit, plus four glockenspiels.

Tremendous windows that form the outer walls of the buildings fill the classrooms with light. Recessed fluorescent lights in the ceiling, and over the chalkboards, make the gloomiest day seem bright.

A serve-self elevator, installed near the entrance of B-wing, is an extra convenience for deliveries, or for students who might find it difficult to climb stairs. Steve Striebeck played elevator operator as Jack Pigg, Linda Brown, Judy Davis, and Lynne Umphrey waited for the signal to enter.

Our Excellent Facilities



Pupil health is well-guarded in a four-room Health Center where Miss Mary Doyle checks temperatures and contacts parents to call for ailing persons. Besides teaching home nursing, Miss Doyle supervised attendance records.

Industrial Arts wing includes shops where boys can get experience in woodworking, metal work of all types, printing, and drafting. The print shop contains two presses, eight families of type in 104 cases, binding equipment and paper drills. Boys enrolled in the course handle all printed matter for the school. Draftsmen in the making, work at comfortable desks, in a room provided for them.

Equipment provided for feeding North Central pupils, faculty, and guests is definitely above average. Mrs. Louise Herrington and her assistants work in a kitchen that has such facilities as electric mixers, food choppers, grinders, and potato peelers. Also, it has steam cabinets, automatic dish washers, and a garbage disposal. Food is well preserved in a deep freeze, and in separate refrigerators for meat, vegetables, salads, and dairy products. Warming ovens keep food hot until it is sent on a dumbwaiter to the cafeteria steam tables above. Well-balanced meals with a large variety of choices were planned and served each day in three lunch shifts.

(Top picture) Miss Mary Doyle, school nurse, examined Suzanne Gaunt's sore arm. *(Below)* An unidentified boy, Mike Gilliam, and Larry Barrett, worked on individual projects in the shop.

(Left) Well-balanced meals were served daily to a stream of visitors and students, eating in three shifts. *(Right)* Mrs. Gladys Welchel uses the huge potato-mashing machine.

Promote Special First Class Commission Rating

Mrs. Estelle Behan answered early morning calls concerning absentees and spent the rest of a busy day operating the trunk switchboard. In her spare time she performed clerical tasks. Office equipment was as modern as that in the classrooms.

(Above) Dean Wert was one of the technicians who manned the public address system, sending programs and announcements all over the school. *(Below)* Ruthie Adams, Bev Cummins, and Mrs. Mary Frances Taylor admired merchandise sold in the bookstore.

Books at the school are distributed on a rental basis. Pupils pay four dollars a semester and are furnished whatever they need. The bookstore was located in temporary quarters during the first semester but finally moved into an excellent location in the center of the building, at the start of the second semester. Mrs. Taylor stocks an unusual variety of supplies in the room serving as a store, and keeps rental books in an adjoining one.

A beautiful library, just off the main entrance, is the dream come true for every school librarian. Fifty-two counseling rooms throughout the building provide space for conferences and guidance work. The theater invariably arouses a gasp of surprise from visitors. Colors range from the coral red of foam rubber upholstered seats to the gray-blue of the velvet curtains. Professional type equipment includes a prop room, two spotlight booths and a projection booth, an electrically operated switchboard, arc lights, and a counter-balance system that makes it possible to suspend sets of scenery high in the air, to be lowered into place when needed.

Basic Studies, Plus Many Special Subjects,

Industrial arts boys had their choice of woodworking, metal shop, printing and drafting. *(Above)* James Sutphin worked at one of the modern machines in the metal shop and Richard Porter concentrated on drafting, seated at a special table.

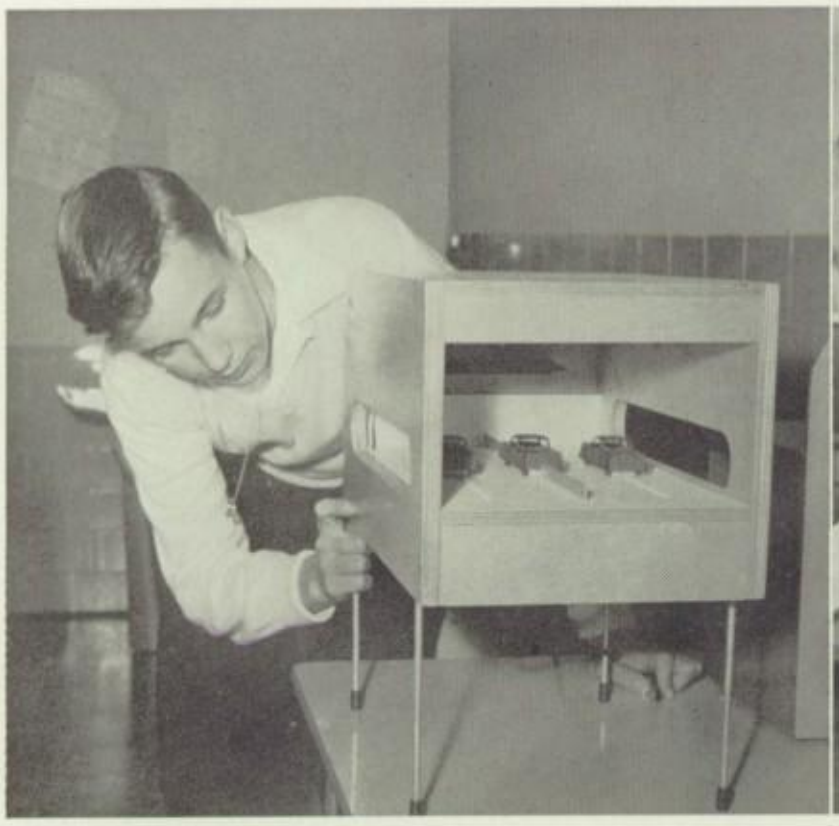
(Below) Bob Grau, Jim Light, and Mike Vinz examined one of the linotype machines in the print shop when it was finally set up.

An unusual choice of classes in the new school's curriculum made it possible for both college-bound pupils and those who would finish their studies with a high school diploma, to get a good educational preparation for their futures.

Besides the basic subjects of English, math, history, science and languages, courses in typing, business law, shorthand, foods and clothing, graphic arts, general shop, printing, drafting, band, orchestra, chorus, and home nursing were provided for pupil choice in making four-year plans.

The curriculum set-up was on a temporary basis because when the second year in the new school opens, freshmen will be enrolled in the junior high school buildings and North Central will house only the three upper classes. This will involve eliminating some courses and adding others. The present freshmen are to be the only class to spend four years in the school.

Make Up the Carefully Planned Curriculum

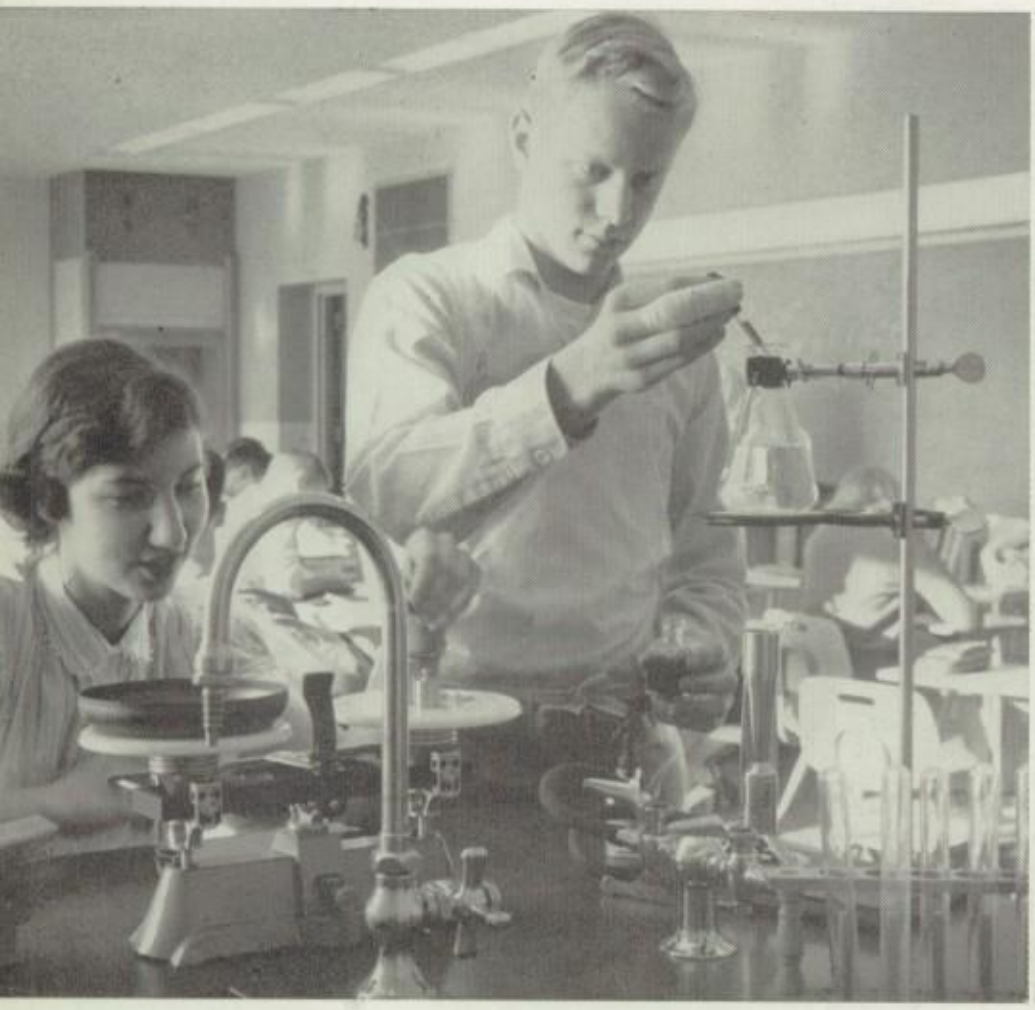


Rod Lane adjusted one of the fascinating gadgets provided for Driver's Ed students. For actual driving experience, two automobiles were provided for the use of twelve teen-ager classes and one adult group.

Judy Oliver found an electric typewriter much easier to use than the manual type. Behind her, Ann Grosskoff and Wayne Knauss practiced diligently. One entire room was filled with electric typewriters and one with the manual kind.

Home ec girls discovered that homemaking lessons were fun in the huge electrically equipped kitchen. The five-room apartment, in which they could put what they had learned into actual practice, was the only part of the wing unfinished this year. Kathy Zickler, Miss Kleifgen, and Barbara Dawson disccussed decorating plans for the living room. Girls, taking sewing, had huge storage cabinets, long tables. electric sewing machines, a fitting room, and other excellent equipment with which to work.

Motivated Classwork Makes Learning Easier



Charlotte Levan and Roy Boffo performed an experiment with some of the excellent equipment furnished in science labs.

Howard Bull *(foreground)*, Rena Gold, and Russell Kuhn used one of the new green chalk boards for an algebra problem.

Skillful teachers motivated their subjects in many ways. Projects in connection with homework, film strips, movies, and recordings were part of a well-planned visual education program. Field trips increased pupils' understanding. Developmental reading improved speed and comprehension.

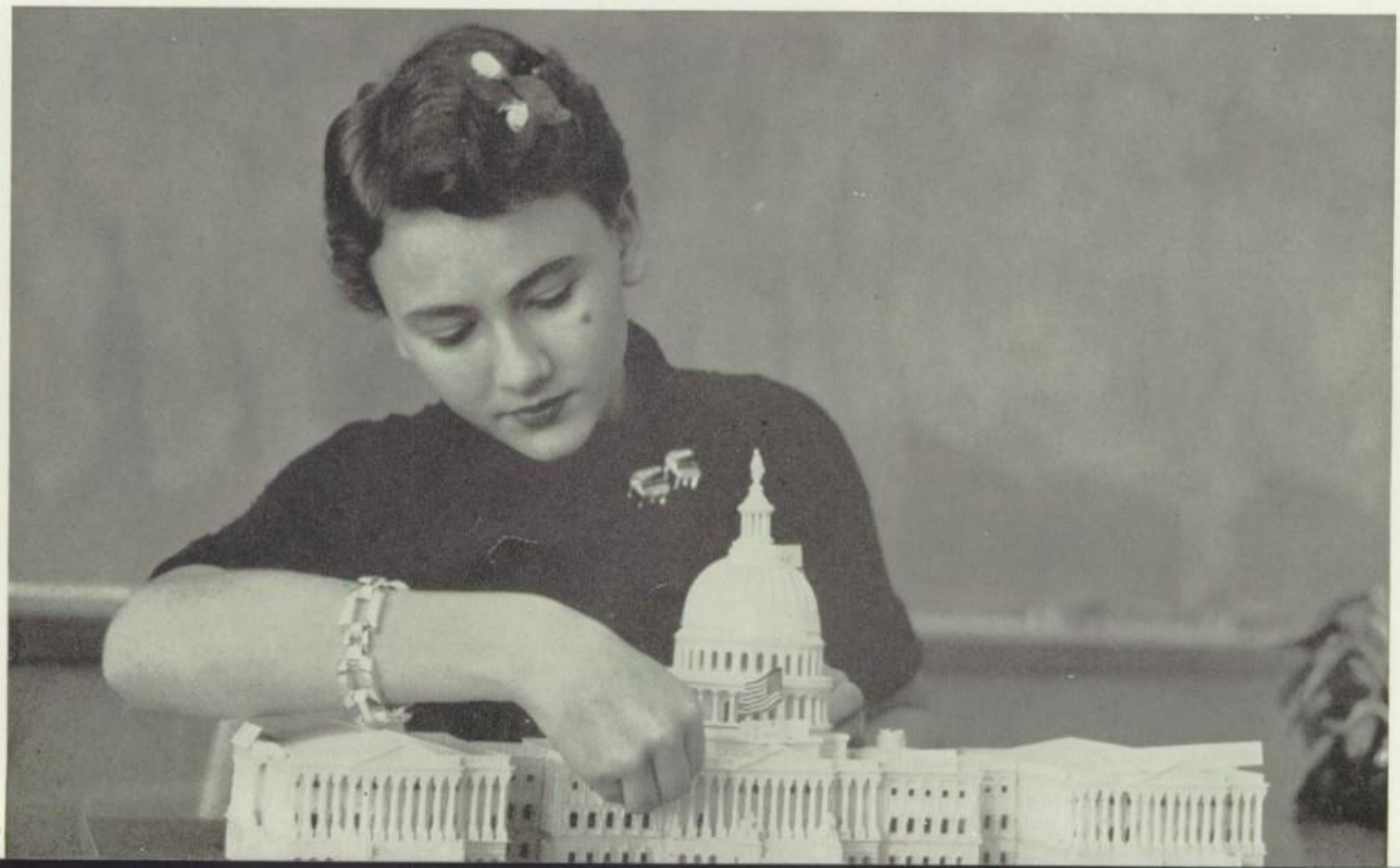
The faculty, 71% of whom had masters' degrees, strove to carry out the school policy of dealing with each child on an individual basis but considering him also in relation to his class. With 80% of the students intending to go on to college, many classes were slanted that way, but those who intended to stop with a high school diploma were not neglected.

(Right) English classes made colorful book reports. Mike Boone put his on the peg board.

ROTC boys soon learned that their ratings depended on their conduct in other classes as well as in this subject. Lt. Wilhelm made sure his teaching had a carry-over value. Bob Obenchain, Scott McDonald, Jim Morrison, and Jack Sparks went through an inspection to determine care of equipment.

Dramatic students were especially fortunate in being able to put their subject into practice in a professionally equipped theater. Jim Harris, Corwin Reynolds, Judy Moneyhun, and Pat Hadley, got the "feel" of the stage during a practice session and dicussed the thrill of facing an audience for the first time.

Subjects were often correlated in the North Central curriculum. Language students learned civics along with grammar rules for their subject. Kaaren Hellmers used a model of our national capitol building when studying the types of columns used in ancient Roman buildings. All subjects were made colorful by maps, charts, models, and other interesting teaching devices.



School Ends for the Day

Forty-three busses lined up every night to take a tired and hungry mob of teen-agers to their suburban homes. Next year the busses are to be garaged under the football stadium. At present they stay overnight in the paved student parking lot.

Most pupils have gone home, and those waiting for the last bus are congregated in the snack bar. But here and there, a lonely boy like Don Morrison, makes up lost time in an after-school session, with only the teacher for company.

Sharon Goodwin and Floyd Allen are typical of the boys and girls who gathered after school to patronize the snack bar. Everyone watched Mrs. Betty Delp with great anticipation when she made the first cupful of frozen malted milk on the new gadget.

Kathy Duck, her arms loaded with books, met Miss Gletha Mae Noffsinger of the English Department, with *her* arms loaded with books, also. Both were leaving school, but both would be going home to do lessons for the coming day's classes.

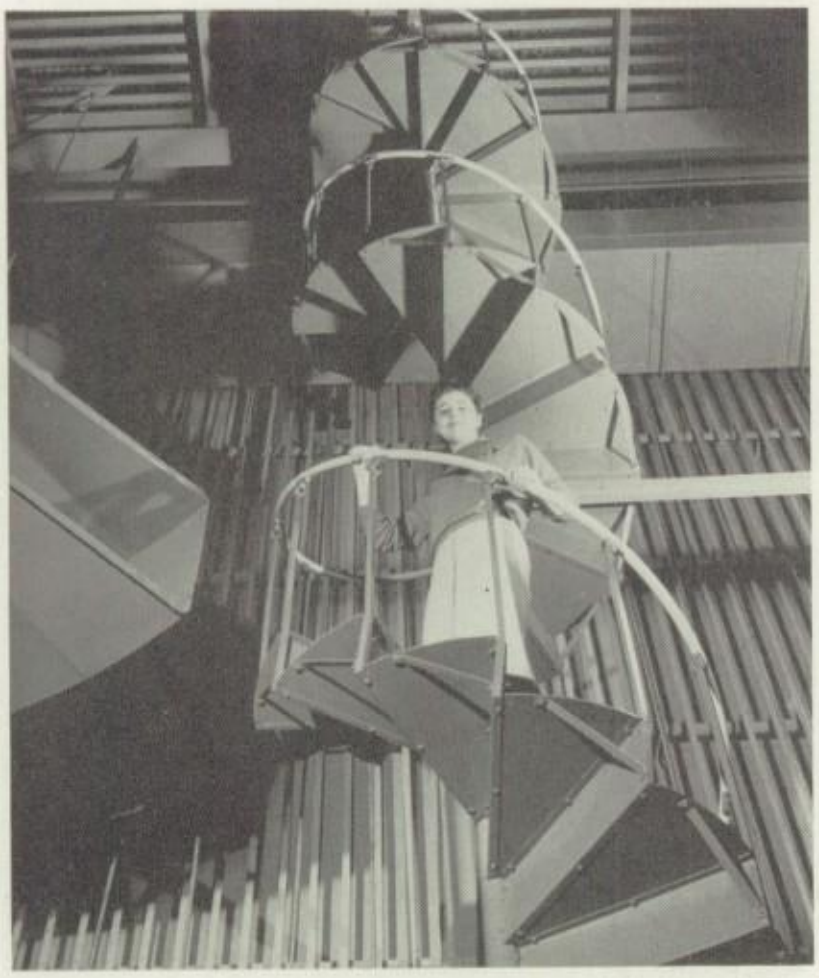
But Continuing Activities Keep Building in Use

Each evening, when the final bell rang, a scramble of book-laden pupils left for the bus loading zone; but activity often continued in the building. The snack bar became a popular rendezvous for those who had to wait until a later bus arrived. Here and there a lone student made up a test. Teachers piled up books and papers to take home for a long evening of grading.

On some afternoons the sound of variety act practicing echoed through the halls. Even at night the building was in use. On Tuesdays, adults came to evening school for two and a half hours of work on hobbies and useful arts. Occasionally the odor of food filtered through the building as the cooks prepared a dinner for guests. Often groups of people chattered happily as they decorated the Student Center for a dance. The building took on life and color as it became more and more a community center of activity.

The beautiful Student Center was completed just in time for the Christmas Formal sponsored by the Student Council. Pretty girls in evening dresses and boys in "Sunday" clothes danced to Steve Hayward's music in a setting of pine boughs, and other seasonal decorations. The freshman-decorated tree added a final touch of Christmas. Couples stood under the portico at the back entrance for fresh air.

Memories Are Made of These . . .



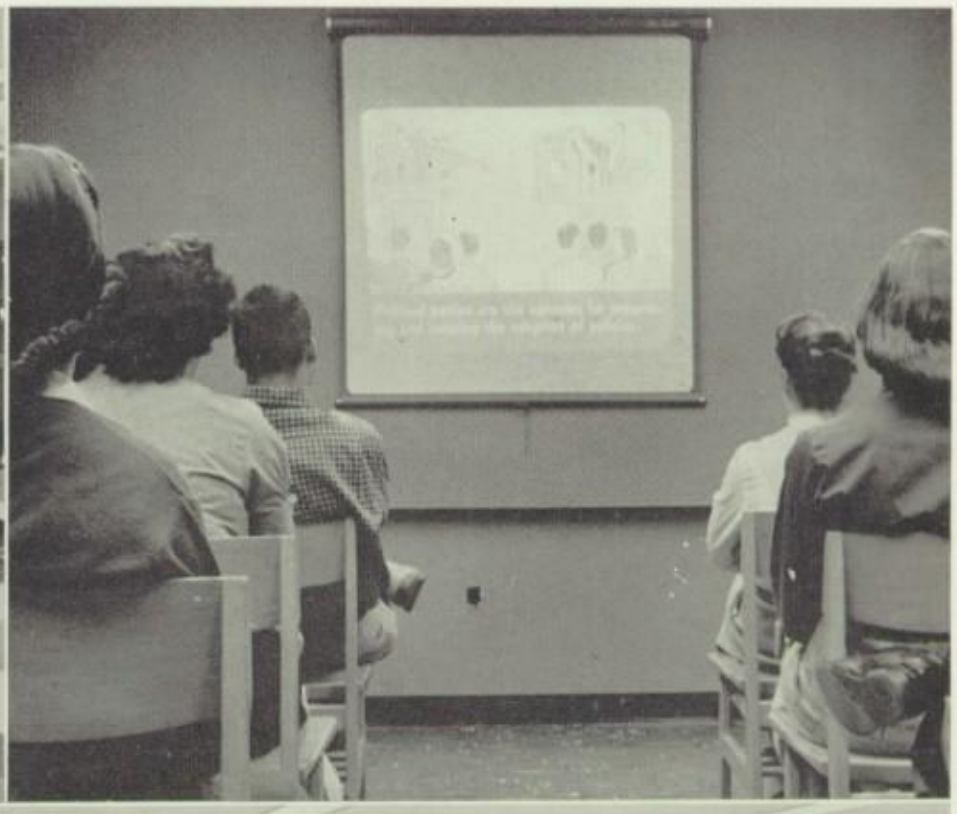
When the stage was completed, one of the most fascinating pieces of equipment, for young actors to explore, was the 41 foot spiral staircase, or grid, leading up into the battens. Paula Palshis tried it out one day.

Looking back on that exciting year of organizing a new school brings to mind isolated scenes, rather than a chronological picture of all the events that occurred. A new book might bring back memories of the beautiful library; a TV play would call to mind long weeks of practice for the play or the Spectacular; a song on the Hit Parade would recreate the atmosphere of the Valentine or Christmas dance. The fashions for teen-agers in 1956-57 were an important item in the book of memories. Other recollections concerned classes, the friends met each day, and events, both happy and sad, that made up a once-in-a-lifetime year.

School activities were kept straight by being posted on the bulletin board in the office conference room. Dick Fairchild and Priscilla Jackson, reserving a date for an event in which they were interested, put a tag on the proper day of the month.

Counseling was an important feature of school life. In the Guidance Office, Marty McKinley talked to Mrs. Mildred Shirley in her room, while Mr. Kenneth Warren checked Ilse Carter's file records. Billie Purchas and Allen Shimer waited their turn.

. . . Persons, Places, and Things



(Left above) Students often assisted at the charge-out desk. *(Right)* A small audio-visual room in connection with the library, served as a pre-view room, or could be used for class viewing, providing the group was small. *(Lower left)* Bob Doane reads a magazine while Lynn Umphrey looks over the unusually large selection. *(Lower right)* Students studied in comfort.

Extending from the Student Center far into A wing, the library creates an attractive picture through the floor length windows that separate it from the foyer. Cool greens of various shades in the floors, walls, and ceilings, blend with the blonde furniture and darker brown bookshelves. Tables are placed conveniently for study; comfortable seats are designed for readers; and an attractive student lounge and another for teachers are furnished with leather upholstered easy chairs. Planters filled with greenery, coffee tables on which the latest periodicals are displayed, and attractive ceramics, give a homelike atmosphere. In adjoining rooms, movies may be previewed, recordings listened to in privacy, or reference work may be discussed with a teacher or fellow student in a conference room.

Shelves are not yet completely filled with books, but a buying program has been set up to purchase many more volumes. At present 5,000 books are available to students. The library subscribes to 90 magazines to be used for reference work or enjoyment. Librarians also see that the display case, in the hall outside, is filled with a colorful exhibit of books and art objects. Miss Mary Louise Mann, Mrs. Katherine Wert are assisted by Mrs. Della Blaha, and Mrs. Louise Johnson.

Programs, Open Houses, and Special Dinners

In the second semester, an adult education program was opened to the community. Every night for 12 weeks such courses as this one in art were given. Miss Zelda Zoe Rife was the instructor.

Parents were invited to the school for their first official inspection at an Open House, February 5. Virginia Coover and Linda Haislup served as hostesses.

Music Department people were delighted when the new robes arrived. Lynn Umphrey adjusted the robe on Judy Martin, to see how it fit, while Nancy McDowell modeled hers in front of the mirror as Nancy Abdon adjusted the collar.

The department's first school appearance took place on December 21 when the choruses and bands gave a Christmas program in the newly completed Student Center. The various groups performed in turn and then took their places on the stairs for the finale.

Are Part of the First Year's Memories

Other things that brought back memories were the dances in the Student Center. The stairway platform was ideal for an orchestra, and even without decorations the Center was a beautiful setting. Community events were part of that year, also, for parents were so anxious to see the new building, an open house had to be arranged as soon as possible. Chili and pancake suppers went into the book of memories, and parents were willing helpers at these money-making events. School programs were a thrill to remember, for each was the first of its kind in the history of the school.

Babs Freeland, serving as hostess on opening day, welcomed Butch Gaddis and Judy Horst upon their arrival at the new school.

Sweethearts danced in a valentine setting on February 9. The highly successful affair was sponsored by the sophomores.

Mrs. Virginia Lund helped the Journalism Department by selling tickets to the chili supper held February 8, as a money-making project.

Juniors Start Annual Show Tradition . . .

ACT CHAIRMEN

"WHEN HEAVEN WENT HAYWIRE"

Marilyn Westfall, Marean Weaver, Linda Parrish, Adra Heider, Barbara Freeland.

"ROMPER RANTICS"

Pearl Zukerman, Sheila Bryan, Maxine Davis, Charlotte Levan.

"DASHING THROUGH THE DECADES"

Sally Richwine, Judy Whitacre, Linda Brown, Nancy Varnes.

"HAWAIIAN HOLIDAYS"

Sam Bangs, Susie Bertermann, Janet Sunderland.

"SCHOOL DAZE"

Ruthie Adams, Mary Lou Stark, Judy Moneyhun.

Below: Mr. Robert Watson and Miss Gletha Noffsinger, Junior Class sponsors who were in charge of the Spectacular.

. . . Junior Spectacular

The four faculty sponsors who were responsible for the acts were *(seated)* Miss Julia Morrow, *(standing)* Mrs. Sarah Maze, George Oberle and Mrs. Margaret Dunlap.

Members of the Program Committee who served as student supervisers for the Junior Spectacular included *(seated)* Gretchen Schafer and Barbara Hammer, *(standing)* Larry Coffey and Dick True.

One of the biggest extra-curricular activities this year was the Junior Spectacular, given April 4, 5, and 6. For months ahead of time the school was filled with a feeling of excitement as chairmen were chosen, acts were planned, and rehearsals begun. Sponsors Noffsinger and Watson began to wear harassed looks; parents wondered if life would ever become normal again; juniors talked Spectacular morning, noon, and night.

Almost every seat in the house was sold out for all three performances. In spite of laryngitis, appendicitis, and flu victims, the "show went on" and the applause it received was sincere praise. The Junior Class treasury was enriched by around $2,000 and another "first" had been added to North Central's record and another event was set up as an annual tradition.

Native chorus line from "Hawaiian Holidays"—Sharon Goodwin, Bob North, Nancy Minnis, Bob Fuller, Priscilla Jackson, Herb Spier, Lynda Lee, Jim Cluley, Judi McDonald, Dick Fairchild, Barbara Lund, Bob Loser, Suzie Kaufman, and Tom Shumaker.

Students and librarian from "Dashing Through the Decades" — Becky Wolf, Frank Krahulik, and Brenda Williamson.

As First Participants in Annual Events

INTERMISSION ACTS—(upper left) Tom Draper, who played the country mouse, and Judy Stange, who portrayed a city mouse, were to introduce each act with a clever dialogue, but because Tom Draper was ill at the last minute, Tom Green took his place. (Substitution was too late for a picture.) (Upper right) The Intermission Combo consisted of Jan Hall (piano), Bruce Jorgenson (drums), Tom Robb (trumpet), and Bob Snyder (guitar). (Lower left) Accompanists for the various acts included Nancy House, Nancy Stephenson, Tamsin Lee, and Bob Snyder. (Center) Steve and Sharon Hall played a Marimba Duet for one of the Intermission Numbers. (Lower right) Kitty Grummann, a vocal soloist, appeared between two of the acts.

Queens and Spectacular Actors Go on Record

Every school has as part of its traditions the election of queens to preside over various functions. North Central made its first move toward establishing such offices when Betty Lankford was elected as queen of the Fall Sports Dance. R.O.T.C. boys, who had already selected three girls to sponsor their units, chose Nancy Turner to reign over the Military Ball.

When spring rolled around, track queens were elected at all county high schools. Barbara Hammer received this honor at North Central.

Marcia Black, Nancy Turner (queen), and Barbara Freeland were featured at the ROTC Military Ball.

(Lower) Barbara Hammer, track queen, modeled the letter sweater that she wore at the county track meet for the other candidates who were Marcia Black and Sally Sage. *(Right)* Betty Lankford, Fall Sports queen, danced with her escort, Dan Harlan, just after she was crowned at the dance.

Styles in Dresses, Cars, and Hair-Do's

In spite of the casual dress affected by controversial pop singer, Elvis Presley, teen-agers were gradually getting away from careless attire and into a "new-look" of neat smartness this year. Ivy League clothes invaded the middle west, and everything went striped, buttoned-down, and narrow shouldered. Old-time favorites, saddle oxfords and ankle socks, remained, but shell-pumps called "flats" were first choice with most teen-agers. Boys were resplendent in white bucks or saddle oxfords.

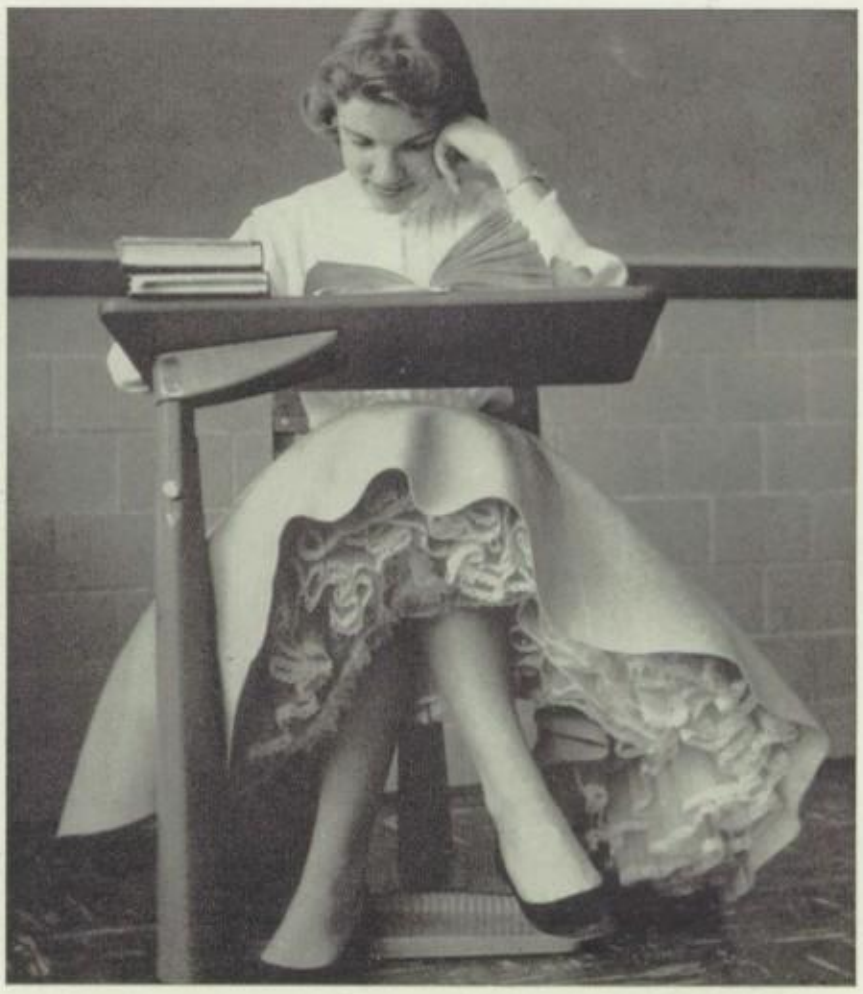
Three-quarter length car-coats were important; sweaters and skirts were almost a uniform; striped or checked caps became a "must" for boys. Hair-do's ranged from severe "little boy" styles to pony-tails for girls. The popular burr cut for boys showed faint signs of diminishing popularity, probably because the price of hair-cuts went up to $1.50 and $1.75.

Skirts for girls varied from the slim to the extremely wide, flared by gorgeously feminine "crinolines." The "sissy shirtwaist" was a softened version of the formerly tailored style. Both teachers and parents sighed with relief as they once again saw truly feminine, attractive girls, and smartly dressed boys, after years of addiction to sloppiness.

(Left) Barbara Hammer looks over the North Central fashions modeled by Jim Leffel, Bob Loser, Barbara Lund, and Susan Harvey. *(Lower)* Cars were important items in the lives of North Central boys. Stan Hines and Ed Bryan carefully scraped the ice from the former's car after it had stood out in the parking lot during a snowy day.

Are an Interesting Topic of Conversation

Bob North, in his car coat and Ivy League cap, held the door open for Martha Nees, dressed for the cold weather.



Linda Hirt's lovely crinoline made a pretty picture under her wide skirt, as she sat at one of the modern desk-seat combinations.

Masculine and feminine hair styles showed interesting variations. Martha Dodge with short straight hair admired Herb Spier's crew cut and Don Foley's flat-top while Marguerite Dine told them she likes her pony tail better.

When Spectacular practice began Babs Freeland, Bob Carr, and Barbara Hammer changed into their leisure time clothes after school. Babs in her tapered slacks and Barbara in her Bermudas and bulky sweater, admired Bob's argyle socks.

Awards and Honors Come to North Central

Gretchen Shafer's recognition came early in the year when she was elected to L. S. Ayres fashion board for teen-agers. This led to her being selected as a representative for the magazine "Seventeen." Linda Watkins and her father co-authored the school's pep song which was formally presented to the student body in a convocation March 22. Peggy Snyder wrote the words to the Alma Mater song, to the music of "Michigan, My Michigan." Both girls appeared at the assembly to be recognized.

Many people were in the "winners circle" at North Central in the first year. Not all are pictured, for some honors were given too late to get in the yearbook. But distinction came in both scholastic and other types of activity the first year of North Central's existence. The faculty and students were especially proud of Math Department and the students who won top honors in the state contests.

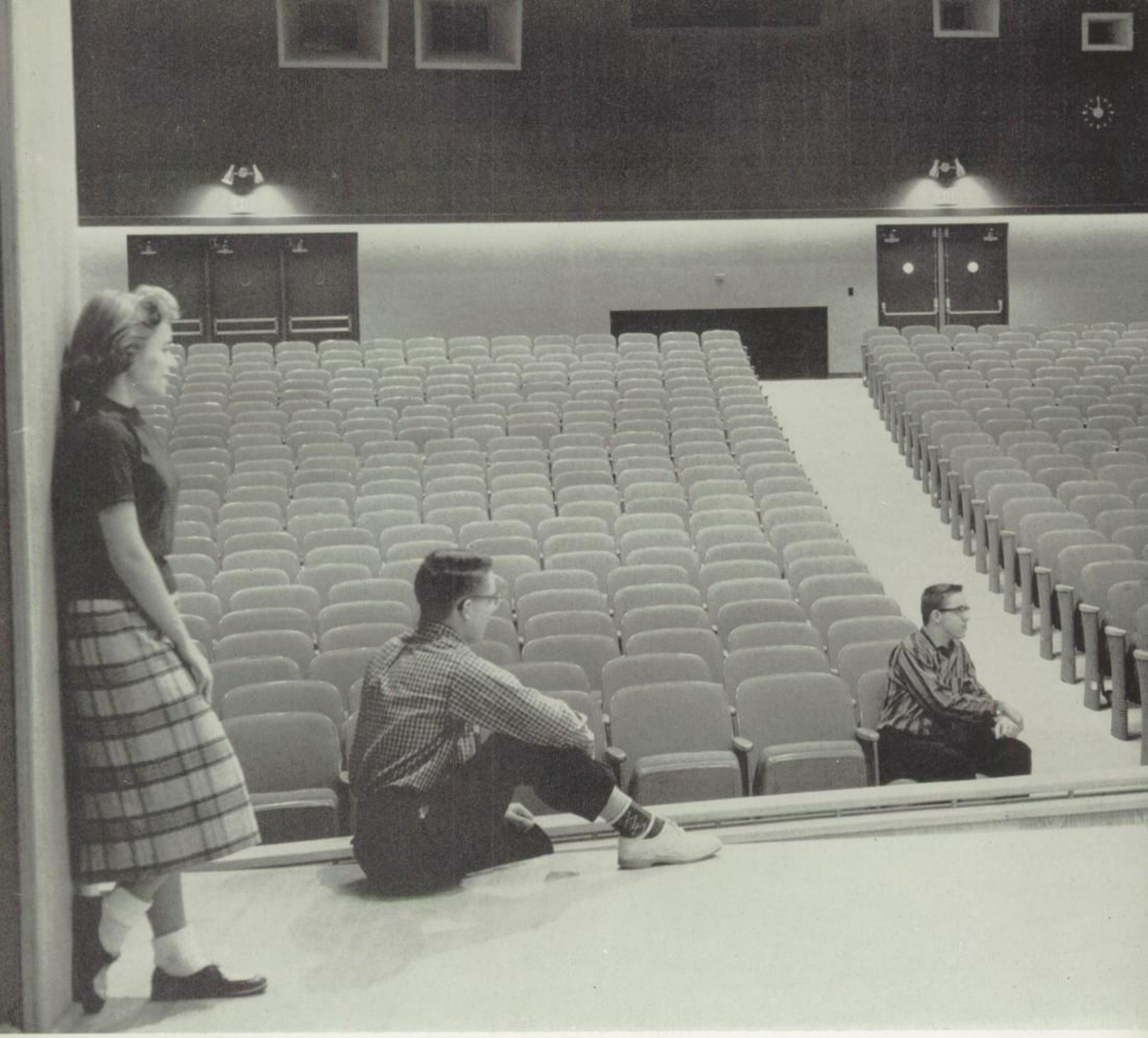
Connie Zimet, Dwight Ritter, and Judy Hindsley were three members of the cast of "You Can't Take It With You," the all-school play sponsored by the Dramatic Club. Other persons selected were Nancy House, Chip Wilhoite, Frank Cable, Paula Summers, Mike Clark, Tal Johnson, Tom Green, Brian Duwe, Gary Henschen, Judy Whittington, Ralph Michaels.

In the First Year of Existence

North Central students did very well in the first year's competition in the State Math and Language Contests which were held at Indiana University. *(First row)* Michael Lewin, silver medal in Algebra; Ken Porter, bronze medal in third year math; Larry Coffey, silver medal in fourth year math; Pete Egbert, silver medal in second year Geometry; *(Second row)* Alice Kingsbery, bronze medal in Latin I; Terry Cuthbertson, first place in Algebra; Karen Roessler, bronze medal in second year Latin; Nancy Northam, bronze medal in second year Latin; Judy Lybrook, silver medal in Spanish; Gail Eaton, first place in first year Geometry; Janet Graves, bronze medal in Algebra; Mary Ann Sears, silver medal in Latin I; Tim Steele, silver medal in Geometry second year; Joe Wood, first place in second year Geometry.

Girls State representatives will attend the session from June 22-26 at Indiana University. They are Adra Heider, Marilyn Wilmore, Mary Lou Stark, and Priscilla Jackson.

Representatives for Boys State which is held at Indiana University from June 8-15 are Larry Warren, Dan Harlan, Dale Sering, George Quigley, Tal Johnson, Chuck Lugar, Roy True, Jim Cluley, *(absent from the picture)* Chuck Harrison, Bill Buehler.



The huge stage, modern equipment, colorful interior, and the ease of viewing from any place in the audience, delighted North Centralites when the auditorium was opened. Dotty Henry, Hugh Kirtland, Terry Weaver, Linda Helm, and Nancy Bugh, were among the first to try out the new seats and to get an impression of what playing on the stage would be like.

Extra-curricular activities to teen-agers rank almost equally in importance with classroom work. This was proved when twenty-one clubs became thriving organizations during North Central's first year of existence. Each person had the distinction of being a charter member of the club he joined, something that would never happen again. Musically inclined teen-agers joined one of the vocal or the instrumental groups and practiced for public appearances. Those with a flair for publications, published the school newspaper, annual, and wrote publicity. Other activities in which North Centralites took part were of a service nature. Workers in the library, bookstore, offices, and cafeteria were of great value in relieving busy administrators.

Activities

Student Council and Booster Club Are United

PEP BAND—*First row: (Top picture)* Ed Simmons, Jan Boch, Dave Pike, Ronnie Brown, Chuck Johnson. *Second row:* Jim Adolph, Dave MacPheat, Mark English, Nancy Minnis, Dick Bishop, Deanna Moser. *Third row:* Steve Piel, Jim Koffenberger, Tal Johnson, Lance Witmer, Linda Dorbecker. *Fourth row:* Floyd Allen, Tom Robb, Jim Ciesar, Dick True, Pete Egbert, Phil Boyer. *Fifth row:* Jim Clark, Scott Ford, Jane Ramsey, Mike Moore, Mary Ann Sears, Jan Hall.

North Central fans started early to boost their teams. Even though football games were not played at home, the Panthers were assured of enough home-school people to make themselves heard as they cheered lustily. *(Lower picture)* Girls in the special cheering section, formed of Booster Club members, were colorful in white derbies, blouses, and gloves, carrying red, black and white shakers.

Although North Central teams were in the formative stage and had not yet started winning, boosters were always on hand with yells and music to cheer their classmates on to victory. Some joined the Pep Band which gave N. C. a musical boost in the form of rock and roll and the traditional marches. Others sat in the special Booster Club section.

Not all students joined special groups to support their team, but all were loyal in following their Panthers to games both home and away, shouting words of encouragement, congratulating the team after a victory, and consoling the boys whenever they lost.

In Their Desire to Improve School Loyalty

One representative from each homeroom joined together to form the first Student Council at North Central High School. Organizing the council, writing a constitution, and working with the faculty to solve the problems of establishing a new school kept the group busy during its first year.

Jim Blythe was elected the first president; Nancy Blythe, vice-president; Chuck Lugar, treasurer; and Susan Duck, secretary. Faculty advisors were Miss Geraldine Bagby and Mr. Kenneth Warren. Eight committees, including the Safety Council headed by Jim Peterson, were also established.

SAFETY COUNCIL—*(Top left):* Ed Copeland, Jim Peterson, Dan Harlan, Sam Bangs, Mary Lou Stark, Linda Porteous. *(Top right)* Susan Duck, Council secretary, and Jim Blythe, president, admired N.C.'s special first class commission. STUDENT COUNCIL—*First row (Bottom picture):* Bob Beckmann, Tom Miller, Nancy Minnis, Marcia Maher, Bill Wead, Sally Smith, Jack Mendell. *Second row:* Mr. Kenneth Warren, advisor, Susie Clay, Sue Hogan, Sally Thompson, Jim Blythe, Kay Browning, Carol Finlayson, Libby Seigle, Judie Plew, Minnijo Burris. *Third row:* Cindy Bauer, Maureen Beutler, Linda Porteous, Dave Maxwell, Mary Lou Stark, Chuck Hepburn, John Hart, Cindy Kernahan, Sandy Kuhlman, Debby Sexson, Miss Geraldine Bagby, advisor. *Fourth row:* Jim Peterson, Dick True, Katie Kohlstaedt, Dick Fairchild, Brad Oliver, Mike Seigle, Chuck Lugar, Joe Walsmith, Ed Copeland, Bob Culp, Dick Young, Susan Duck, Bob Dugan.

Clubbers Learn to Speak Spanish Fluently

CLUB OFFICERS: Libby Seigle, secretary; Nancy Turner, president; Nancy Sherman, treasurer; Linda Haislup, historian; Maureen Beutler, program chairman; and Sandy Kuhlman, vice-president, posed for the photographer.

Proceedings often moved slowly in Spanish Club meetings, for the rules stated that, in so far as possible, members had to use Spanish whenever business matters were discussed. But they didn't seem to mind. Their aim was to learn about Spain and the Spanish speaking nations, their language, customs, people, and history.

To carry out this purpose, the activities portion of the meeting was often devoted to playing Spanish games, to singing songs, and to folk dancing. Students, under the direction of Maureen Beutler, program chairman, also prepared special research projects and panel discussions for presentation during their meetings.

SPANISH CLUB—*First row (Top picture)*: Sybil Hudgins, Minnijo Burris, Pearl Zukerman, Nancy Turner, Martha Nees, Mary Lou Stark, Marilyn Westfall, Linda Parrish, Sharon Kiel. *Second row*: Sandy Kuhlman, Nancy Blythe, Judy Whittington, Carolynn Ross, Nancy Stephenson, Gretchen Schafer, Sandi Bronstrup, Nancy Sherman, Maureen Beutler. *Third row*: Marilyn Singer, Gretchen Erickson, Linda Haislup, Diane Purdy, Katie Kohlstaedt, Dick Hayworth, Cynthia Keeney, Gail Eaton, Judi McDonald, Donna Hinchman. SPANISH CLUB—*First row (Lower picture)*: Judy Stange, Jean Guldager, Nancy Young, Jan Bumpus, Dona Miller, Sally Chandler, Beverly Bell, Pat Kelley, Lynda Ball. *Second row*: Karen Kidd, Deanna Hood, Ellie Chase, Mary Anderson, Wendy Turner, Carol Hobbs, Jo Mekel, Barb Walters, Marty Johnson, Diane Turley. *Third row*: Janet Kidd, Judy Moneyhun, Jacquie Grebe, Anne Hendricks, Marcia Swan, Carole Caplin, Helen Lorenz, Judy Martin, Maxine Davis, Judy Lybrook, Donna Merritt. *Fourth row*: Lynn Hall, Connie Zimet, Valerie Boges, Joan Blaisdell, Suzanne Shafer, Carol Sanger, Nancy Blacketter, Libby Seigle, Nancy Bugh, Ellen Lampel. Miss Julia Morrow, Spanish teacher, was the faculty advisor.

LATIN CLUB OFFICERS—*First row:* Alice Kingsbury, Becky Teague, Tom Miller, Janet Humston, Ginger Polay. *Second row:* Nancy McDowell, Nancy Northam, Jim Gledhill, Butch Rogers, Linda Watkins. *Third row:* Larry Chesterfield, Joe Wood, Jim Birr, Jim Light, Bob Enoch, Cindy Bauer. Miss Cleo Kinnison, Miss Ruth Lesley, and Mrs. Katherine Wert *(not pictured)* were co-sponsors.

Rome Becomes More Real to Latin Club People

Life in ancient Rome became more real to students who joined the Latin Club. They observed holidays in the traditional Roman way and followed the old customs carefully. The group's first activity was the staging of a slave sale. Twenty "slaves" were auctioned to student syndicates who bid for them with Roman currency apportioned according to first semester grades.

The second week in May, a spring festival celebrating Floralia, the Roman May Day, was held. Bouquets were sent to each room and posters were placed in the halls. Climaxing the observance was the crowning of a queen and her court.

"Slave" Don Morrison knelt before his masters, Nancy Colville and Jim Birr, as Karen LeMasters looked on.

French Club Members Write Foreign Pen Pals

FRENCH CLUB—*First row:* Charles Fishman, Charlotte Boggess, Sally Smith, Sandy Elles, Joanne Johnson, Ann Holmes, Barbara Gray, Sarah Campbell, Linda Reid, John Godley. *Second row:* Stephanie Hackney, Barbara Sprague, Bobbie Williamson, Kathleen Sinclair, Kathleen Foltz, Cindy Kernahan, Nancy Northam, Carolyn Wiley, Judy Olmstead, Karen Weinseimer, Judy Smith, Karen Kiger. *Third row:* Carol Hall, Judy Kinnear, Marianne Plzak, George Sweet, Michele Platter, Ruth Adams, Deanna Moser, Gary Henschen, Susan Harvey, Marjo Hunt, Jane Smith, Amy Coffin, Mary Hawes, Carolyn Campbell.

The last of the Language Arts clubs to be formed at North Central during the 1956-57 school year was the French club. Membership in this group was open only to those students who were currently enrolled in their second semester of French, or who had already completed at least two years of study in it.

Members met once a month after school with their sponsor, Mr. William Bugher, to learn more about the French people, their culture, country, and language, and to promote an interest in France among North Central students.

Although the group was not very active during its first year, many members carried on regular correspondence with French pen pals, securing first-hand information about the country in this way. Other activities, including puppet shows and skits presented in French, were discussed as possible programs for the coming year. Also, a sidewalk cafe party for the Latin, Spanish, and German Departments was planned as a project to be carried out sometime next year.

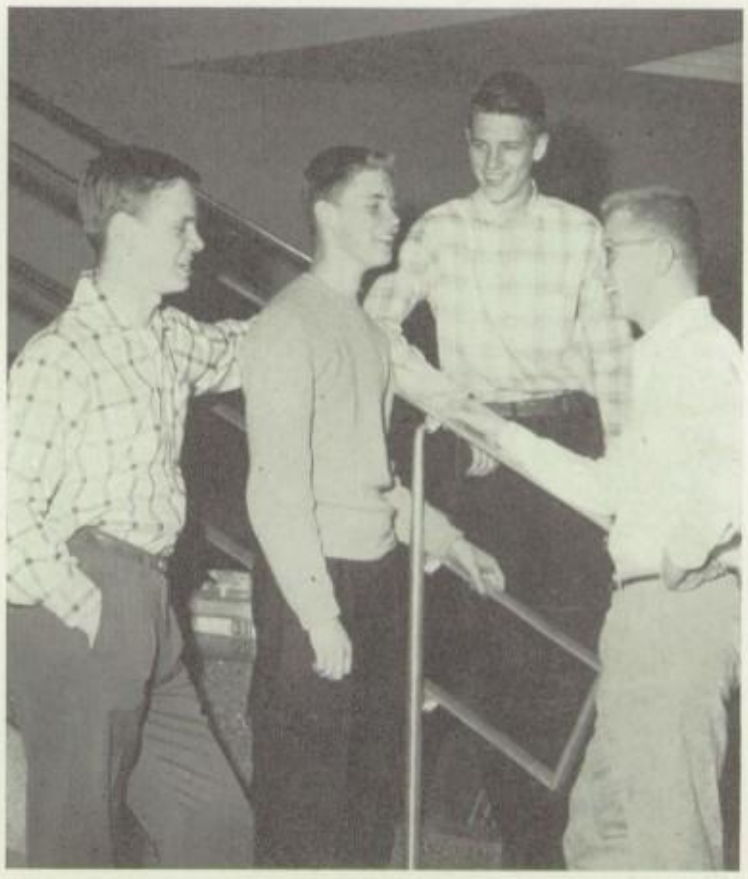
Officers, Ruthie Adams, president; Susan Harvey, vice president; Carolyn Wiley, secretary; and Cindy Kernahan, treasurer, were elected at one of the first meetings.

Hi-Y Promotes Idea of Service to Others

"Clean sports, clean living, clean speech, clean thoughts, and clean scholarship" was selected as the code of conduct by members of North Central High School's Hi-Y organization, affiliated with the International Hi-Y and the YMCA. This fellowship was organized by NCHS boys to promote the ideals of Christianity among the people of Washington Township and to render service to the school.

North Centralites took part in city-wide activities this year when Jerry Miller represented Nationalist China, and Dale Sering headed the delegation from the Philippines at the annual Model United Nations held in the House Chamber of the State House each spring.

Mr. John Wendling was an apt sponsor for the group. His international understanding, gained through four years of working in South America and extensive tours throughout Europe, prepared him for work with young people.



Discussing plans for future activities were H-Y officers, Dale Sering, chaplain; Tal Johnson, sergeant at arms; Dave Siersdale, treasurer; and Dick True, president. Kurt Henschen, vice president; and Jerry Miller, secretary, were not pictured.

HI-Y—*First row:* John Bryant, Kurt Henschen, Jerry Johnson, Gary Johnson. *Second row:* Ken Schaefer, Mike Clark, Joe Quigley, Bob Collins, Dick True. *Third row:* Richard Peine, Dale Sering, Dave Siersdale, Cecil Lindley, Tal Johnson, Mike Lewin, Mr. John Wendling, sponsor, stands at the right.

Quiz-Em Team Members Know Current Events

QUIZ TEAM—*First row:* Mrs. Jean Kaufman, contest judge, Judie Mitchell. *Second row:* Dale Sering, Cliff Fiscus, Jerry Miller, Mr. Kenneth D. Patton, team coach. George Quigley *(not pictured)* participated in the second meet. *(Indianapolis Star photo.)*

Hours of reading newspapers and magazines, of studying notes, listening to newscasts, and asking and answering questions both they and social studies students listed, paid off for the members of North Central High School's Quiz 'Em on the Air team which was coached by Mr. Kenneth D. Patton.

Knowing facts about current news gave North Central an easy 1500-1050 win over the contestants from Ladywood High School when the two teams met on November 29. A celestial globe was awarded to the winners by Mrs. Jean Kaufman of the Star Women's Department, who judged the meet.

On February 21, the group from Speedway High School traveled to meet North Central for the second round of the elimination tourney. This time N. C. was defeated by a score of 2700-2650 in one of the closest encounters of the 1956-57 season, and completed their competition for the year.

People With Flair for Drama Band Together

Advance publicity on the new auditorium, with its unusually large stage and exceptional lighting and acoustical facilities, was so exciting that starting a drama club was no problem at all. Over 130 boys and girls joined. Mrs. Betty Randall, drama teacher, was the logical choice for a sponsor.

In the workshop sessions run by the club, members were given the opportunity to learn more about such phases of theatrical work as acting, designing scenery and costumes, make-up techniques, the management of drama troupes, and the duties of stage hands and prop men.

The more than one hundred members also attended Civic Theater productions, played host to the Thespian troupe from Arsenal Technical High School, produced their own short skits for in-the-club entertainment, and devoted much time and energy toward making a success of the all-school production of "You Can't Take It With You," which they sponsored.

Members elected Nancy Sherman, president; Judy Martin, vice president; Sue Hogan, secretary; Sally Smith, treasurer; and Sue Barlet, historian.

DRAMA CLUB—*First row (Upper picture):* Betsy Traylor, Mary Ann Sears, Pat Radloff, Sally Smith, Judy Plew, Susan Wilson, Lynne Umphrey. *Second row:* Carol Williams, Susan Stamm, Carol Sanger, Marianne Plzak, Suzanne Shafer, Jan Van Vactor, Marcia Swan, Dixie Vice. *Third row:* Billie Purchas, Nancy Sherman, Tridi Stalle, Carolynn Ross, Bobbi Mathers, Nancy Stephenson, Judi McDonald, Judy Whittington, Anne Schuetz.

DRAMA CLUB—*First row:* Tamra Edgington, Beverly Bell, Jane Ferick, Terry Cuthbertson, Susan Elliott, Mimi Greely, Carolyn Fiesel. *Second row:* Sue Barlet, Jan Bumpus, Judy Blackmon, Pam DuBois, Valerie Boges, Beverly Ensley, Barbara Gray, Ellie Chase. *Third row:* Sandy Elles, Teri DeMarco, Nancy Bugh, Nancy Blacketter, Judy Gambill, Margie Bitner, Judy Edwards, Joan Blaisdell, Mary Anderson, Janet Graves, Libby Seigle. *Fourth row:* Tom Stelhorn, Mary Hawes, Ann Deckelbaum, Maureen Beutler, Martha Herrin, Jim Clark, Don Tolan, Bill Norman, Linda Dorbecker, Sue Ferris, Nancy Blythe, Barbara Dawson.

DRAMA CLUB—*First row:* Charlotte Boggess, Carole Lee, Patty Martin, Paula Palshis, Pat Hoffmann, Dianne Hurst, Sandi Larr, Alice Kingsbury. *Second row:* Nancy McDowell, Judy Miles, Karen Lemasters, Judy Lybrook, Phyllis Ordway, Judy Lookabill, Tamsin Lee, Anne Holmes, Sue Hogan, Elaine Smith, Karen Kidd. *Third row:* Cora Kramer, Penny Browning, Linda Helm, Judy Martin, Linda Hirt, Michele Platter, Sandy Kuhlman, Judy Kinnear, Mary Hibbard, Bonnie McLaughlin, Ellen Lampel. *Fourth row:* Mrs. Randall, sponsor, Connie Zimet, Sandra Landers, Ann Linsmith, Marsha Miller, Mary Hockett, Phyllis James, Marjo Hunt.

FTA—*First row:* Judy Stange, Beverly Foust, Mary Ann Sears, Nancy McDowell, Sally Smith, Nancy Young, Kathie Shea. *Second row:* Mary Anderson, Carolyn Sheets, Judy Lybrook, Nancy Minnis, Carol Finlayson, Linda Burst, Carolyn Wiley, Linda Keller, Jan Eyden, Janet Graves. *Third row:* Linda Lierman, Bette Jo Iverson, Sondra Moon, Cynthia Keeney, Daine Tabbert, Carolynn Ross, Sylvia Cox, Suzanne Shafer, Brenda Moffett, Mrs. Edith Reese, sponsor.

FTA Makes Plans to Relieve Teacher Shortage

The drastic shortage in the teaching profession was the subject of many editorials and articles in 1956-57. North Central did its part in relieving the situation when a chapter of Future Teachers of America was established. These girls (for boys were not interested apparently) learned about educational requirements, working conditions, job opportunities, and salaries in their chosen profession.

Because this group was not organized until the second semester, only a very few plans could be carried out. However, meetings with club sponsor Mrs. Edith Reese were held on alternate Mondays to elect officers, plan panel discussions, discuss choice of speakers, and arrange field trips for future meetings. Members also attended the program entitled, "Why Be a Teacher," which was sponsored by Kiwanis International, and Delta Kappa Gamma Society of Indianapolis.

FTA officers, Carolynn Ross, secretary; Nancy McDowell, president; Brenda Moffett, vice-president; and Sondra Moon, treasurer, looked over high school handbooks to learn about the courses and teachers at other schools. Ellie Chase, historian, was not pictured.

FBLA—*First row:* Barbarajean Mote, Karen Kidd, Ellie Chase, Shirley Jarrett, Sharon Hall, Marcia Maher, Barbara Schnittker, Adra Heider, Barbara Brinson, Bob Beckmann, Sue Wood, Dorothy DeShano. *Second row:* Sally Sage, Marvelle McClain, Kay Browning, Jane Metcalf, Barbara Hammer, Peg Snyder, Beverly Swinney, Jeannie Symons, Barbara Lund, Sandy Jacklin, Martha Dodge, Judith Mayer, Carol Matthews. *Third row:* Mary Ann Mayhew, Nancy Blacketter, Tom Hopkins, Mike Ryan, Dave Maxwell, Pearl Zukerman, Joyce Van Meter, Jayne Blickman, Nancy House, Danny Johnson, Carlyle Henry, Stephen Jackson, Carolyn Smitha, Carolyn Van Meter. *Fourth row:* Gretchen Schafer, Carol Harvey, Sandi Bronstrup, Linda Cashman, Janice Whitehead, Larry Coffey, Jack Waltz, Paul Partlow, Bernard Lynch, Katie Kohlstaedt, JoAnne Lorenz, Judy Horst, Judy Oliver, Mrs. Edith Reese, sponsor.

FBLA Members Prepare for Business Careers

Larry Coffey, president; Sharon Hall, treasurer; Adra Heider, vice president; and Barbara Hammer, secretary, get together to discuss the state FBLA Convention. Judy Mayer, reporter, was not present.

During the 1956-57 school year, the North Central chapter of the Future Business Leaders of America was a very active group. Members met regularly with their sponsors, Mrs. Donna M. Grubbs and Mrs. Edith Reese, to learn about the demands made upon business men and women and how to become competent, successful leaders.

Club officers were installed by the Shortridge FBLA officers. The sale of red, black, and white basketball corsages gave a start to the treasury. Members also attended the State Convention at Muncie where Adra Heider was elected state reporter.

Members are already preparing for next year. The group plans to operate a cloak check room during home basketball games and to maintain a club activity bulletin board. Businessmen will be invited to speak on the subjects of leadership and preparation for the business world.

Debate Club Procedure Makes Arguments Popular

DEBATE CLUB—*First row:* Paula Sommer, Ellie Chase, Grace Wilson, Pat Lewis, Mrs. Marion Dryden, sponsor. *Second row:* Judie Mitchell, John Campbell, Amy Lou Coffin, Barbara Gardner, Steven O'Malley, Phil Bredell. *Third row:* John Hart, Carol Jean Bull, Fred Wilson, Danny Culbertson, Brian Duwe, Mike Lewin, Carolynn Ross, Charles Gilkison.

One of the first groups organized was the North Central Debate Club. Its purpose was to give members an opportunity to improve their speaking techniques, to learn how to organize pertinent facts, and to become acquainted with parliamentary procedure through the medium of planned debates.

The first semester was devoted to writing and adopting the constitution and by-laws, electing officers, and making plans for future meetings. When the group lost its original sponsor, Mrs. Caroline Brunner, who resigned at mid-term, a new one, Mrs. Marion Dryden, took over.

Special talks by club members, and regular business meetings, field trips to hear other schools' debate teams were scheduled so that new ideas could be incorporated into the group's future plans and so that members could improve their techniques in debate.

Judie Mitchell, vice-president; Paula Sommer, secretary; and John Hart, president, demonstrated the wrong way to settle any debate. Phil Bredell, parliamentarian, was absent.

STAMP AND COIN CLUB—*First row:* Marilyn Maxwell, Mary Ann Sears, Dennis Hilgenberg. *Second row:* Janet Graves, John Campbell, Bob Geoffrion, Grace Wilson. *Third row:* Doug Johnson, Ronald Hocker, Steve Coons, David Johnson, Jim Adams.

Stamp and Coin Collectors Pool Interests

Grace Wilson, treasurer; David Johnson, secretary; John Campbell, vice-president; and Steve Coons, president, looked over their coin collections.

The first club to be formed during the 1956-57 school year was the North Central Stamp and Coin Club. The aim of the organization was to help students who were interested in such a hobby, by giving them an opportunity to trade stamps and coins for others they did not already have. Some, who did not own collections, were encouraged to attend meetings so that they might make up their minds as to whether they would be interested in this hobby.

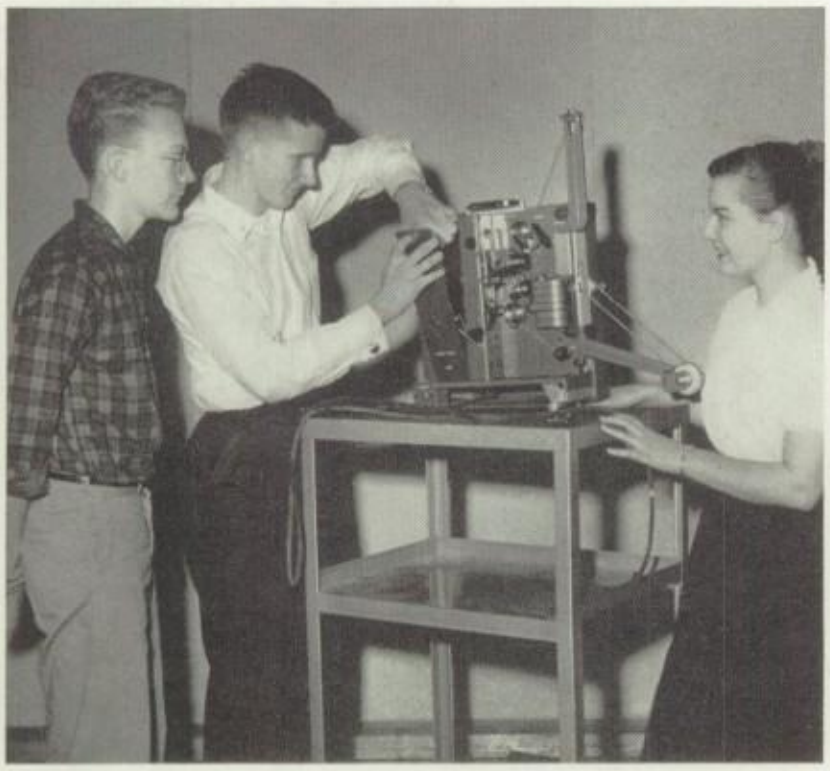
Talks on rare stamps and coins were part of the program given on alternate Wednesdays. Members also discussed methods of obtaining items they wanted, and of preserving their collections.

Miss Ruth Lesley and Lt. Charles R. Wilhelm were chosen to sponsor the group because they are both avid stamp and coin enthusiasts.

AUDIO-VISUAL TECHNICIAN—*First row:* Melvin Dawson, Roger Roche, Tom Byfield, Jim Westfall, Dick Coady, Dorothy DeShano. *Second Row:* Sandy Bernard, John Jerman, Bill Millholland, Lynda Fraley, Steve Dongus, Bruce Pierce, Stephen Jackson. *Third row:* Kurt Henschen, John Hart, Bob Beck, Morgan Fraley, Dick Hayworth, Mike Lewin, Ricky Hibbs, Dick Allen. *Fourth row:* Mr. Frank Rhea, sponsor, Dean Wert, Jim Morrison, Boyce Rensberger, Wesley Knauss, Richard Wieser, Winston, Knauss, Bob Wright, Mike Chenoweth.

Audio-Visual Technicians Assist Teachers

Morgan Fraley, vice-president, showed Kurt Henschen, president, and Dorothy DeShano, secretary-treasurer, an interesting feature of one of the school's projectors.



Audio-visual aids have come to be more and more important in America's secondary education system. Therefore, when North Central was planned, provisions were made for every conceivable device available in that field.

Someone had to operate the movie projectors, record players, tape recorders, and the public address system, so students who were interested in learning the methods, requested an organization. Mr. Frank Rhea volunteered to be their faculty sponsor and began to teach them.

Members were assigned to operate the machines whenever teachers wished to use them to supplement classroom work. By using only each person's study hall time, a program was set up so that someone was on call every hour of the day. Others ran the public address system before and after school, for announcements or for entertainment.

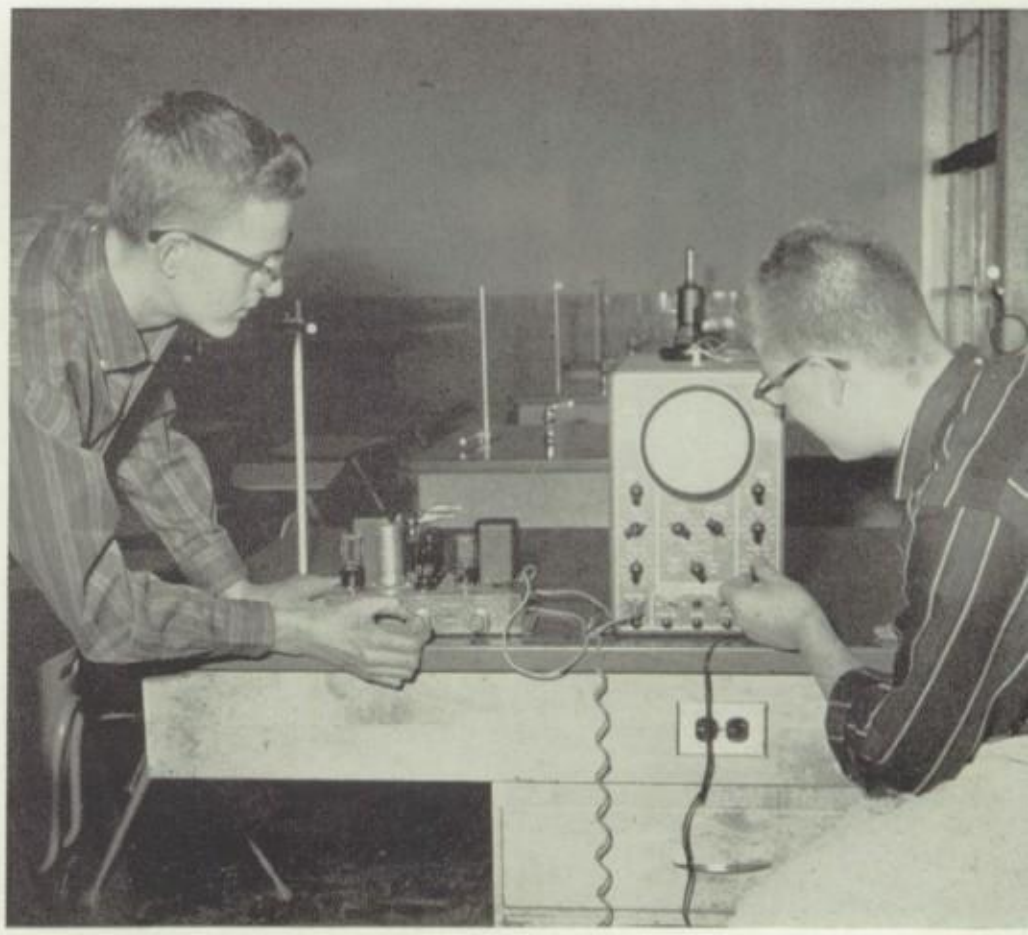
ELECTRONICS CLUB—*First row:* William Hopkins, Tom Byfield, Jim Alvis, Delmar Prah. *Second row:* Dick Allen, Jan Boch, Charles Andrews, David Johnson, Jeff Barnett. *Third row:* Tom Jenkins, Frank Steldt, Boyce Rensberger, Dave Siersdale, Gordon Baugh, Ricky Hibbs. Mr. Frank Rhea and Mr. Kenneth Robinson *(not pictured)* were sponsors.

Electronics Projects Interest Junior Scientists

Each year more and more high school graduates have made plans to enter college to study some phase of science, but have found that it was extremely helpful to have had some previous technical preparation. To aid students in meeting this situation, the Electronics Club was organized early in the 1956-57 school year.

Members met each Monday in the physics laboratory to hear one of their sponsors, Mr. Kenneth Robinson, lecture on topics of elementary electronics and on its practical applications. Each member was then encouraged to apply the information he had gained at club meetings towards the completion of individual projects. Many undertook to build radios. One ambitious student, Charles Andrews, built his own Van de Graaff generator for exhibition in the Science Fair.

Officers of the group were Charles Andrews, president; Boyce Rensberger, vice president; and Delmar Prah, secretary-treasurer.

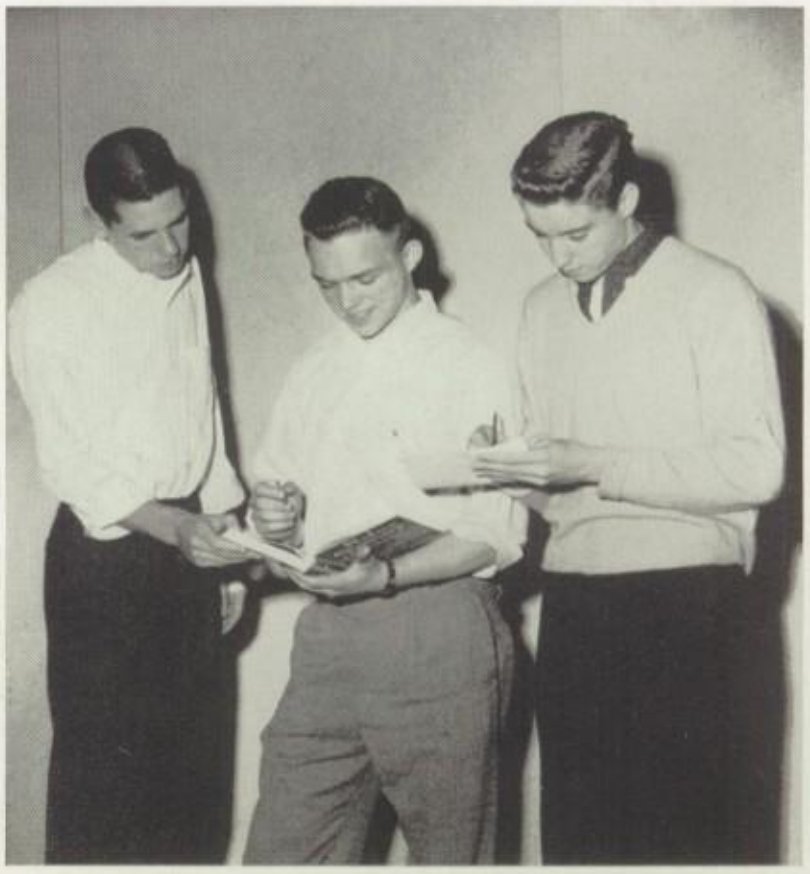


Boyce Rensberger, vice-president, and Frank Steldt checked the voltage of a Hi-Fi amplifier through the use of a Cathode Ray Oscilloscope.

Aeronautics Club Plans Flying Ventures

Among North Central High School students were many aviation enthusiasts. So great was their interest in planes that these boys and girls requested permission to form the Aeronautics Club. When students were invited to join, the large number responding made it necessary for the sponsors, Mrs. Elizabeth Coffin and Mr. Frank Rhea, to divide the club into a boys' wing and a girls' wing.

After the organizational matters of membership, qualifications, and club dues were taken care of, members began to look around for someone who could teach them more about airplanes. Mr. Frank Olin, ground school instructor at Shank's Airport, was their choice. Soon club meetings were being held on Wednesday evenings when lessons in basic aeronautics, air safety principles, and the fundamentals of handling the smaller planes were given.



Aviation requires a knowledge of science. Officers Ed McDonald, treasurer; Ronnie Gill, vice-president; and Jim Wead, secretary, looked up a technical term. President, Bob Hendrickson, was absent.

AERONAUTICS CLUB—*First row:* Jim Westfall, John Dunnewind, Phil Boyer, Steve Piel, Ron Warman, Judith Mayer, Steve Dongus, John Hendrickson, Mike Hurley, Tom Byfield, Carole Ann Potter. *Second row:* Bonnie Lawson, Sandy Heisterkamp, Eric Norman, Jo Anne Lorenz, Bob Martz, Nancy Stephenson, Ronnie Gill, Carolynn Ross, Thomas Bennett, Lee Davis, Ilse Carter, Shirley Sanford. *Third row:* Bill Wilsted, Gordon Baugh, Jim Wead, Riley Nusbaum, Jack Cork, Richard Wieser, Neill Fields, Bob Hendrickson, Mike Gilliom, Joe Etchison, Roger Williams, Richard Peine, Bob Morrison, Larry Gold. Mrs. Elizabeth Coffin *(front left)* and Mr. Frank Rhea *(front right)* acted as sponsors for the group.

GOLF CLUB—*First row:* Susie Clay, Nan Varnes, Bill Gruenert, Linda Parrish, Caroline Petty, Barbara Freeland, Sharon Goodwin, Steve Schaffer, Steve Hockman. *Second row:* Mickey Maurer, Jim Turner, John Bryant, Linda Danke, Penny Browning, Marean Weaver, Joe Quigley, Bob Scobee, Judy Lookabill, Minnijo Burris, William Hopkins, Roger Roche, Lance Witmer. *Third row:* Joseph Walsmith, Ken Schaefer, Dick True, Judy Horst, Margery Stark, Mary Lou Stark, Dick Hayworth, Bob Garelick, Bob Morrison, Tom Patterson, Ruthie Adams, Linda Haislup, Carl West, Bob Mitchell. *Fourth row:* Richard Pointer, Sandy Levinson, Joe Wood, David Epperson, Bill Johnson, Bill Norman, Bob Turner, Pete Kuilema, Jim Danby, Avie Celender, Steve Jay, Richard Gheen, Bill Land, Dave Siersdale. Mr. Robert Watson and Mr. Norman Harner *(not pictured)* were sponsors.

Golf Enthusiasts Tee Off in the Spring

The location of North Central in a neighborhood abounding with golf courses and driving ranges created interest in a club for boys and girls who enjoyed that sport. Mr. Norman L. Harner and Mr. Robert Watson agreed to act as co-sponsors for the organization.

The first meetings of the year were occupied with electing officers and setting up a spring program. Scheduled events included educational golf films, trips to driving ranges, and individual outings. Members also hoped to arrange a handicap tournament with trophies for winners.

Next year, the golf enthusiasts hope to get their activities underway in time to plan outings for both the fall and spring seasons. Another suggestion was to invite a professional golfer to put on an exhibition at North Central and then to give members pointers on bettering their game.

Dave Epperson, president, showed Sharon Goodwin, treasurer, how to grip a golf club. Mary Lou Stark, vice president, and Nancy Varnes, secretary, were not pictured.

Archery Club Enjoys Outdoor Target Practice

Twenty-nine students who enjoyed the ancient sport of shooting with bows and arrows formed one of the first clubs to be organized at North Central.

Membership qualifications and the choice of club pin designs were first matters of business settled by the group. In addition, "shooting" meets were held on the high school's archery range whenever weather permitted. Members were given instructions by President Mike Klezmer, who held the Indiana State Junior Championship in Archery, and by the club sponsor, Mr. Robert P. LeMaster.

During other meetings, members listened to discussions concerning the history of their chosen sport and ways to improve their skills in it. They also watched demonstrations such as the one about the uses of "shot gun," field, target, and fishing arrows, presented early in December by Vice-President Dick Hayworth.

Officers of the group were Mike Klezmer, president; Dick Hayworth, vice president; Karen Kiger, secretary; Sandra Larr, treasurer; and Kristin Kothe and Bob Marsischke, field masters.

Neill Fields, President Mike Klezmer, Bob George, and Judy Farmer retrieved their arrows after a practice session on the N.C. archery range.

ARCHERY CLUB—*First row:* Bill Felber, Karen Kiger, Bob George, Jack Mendell. *Second row:* Jim Bridges, Carol Jean Bull, Mike Klezmer, Kristin Kothe, Steve Blair. *Third row:* Fred Wilson, Thomas Bennett, Neill Fields, George Elliott, Howard Bull, Dick Hayworth, Lee Davis. Mr. Robert LeMaster, sponsor, stood at the left of the picture.

RIFLE CLUB—*First row:* Richard Disher, Jack Anderson, Sandy Heisterkamp, Rupert Knierim, Jud Jaqua, Melvin Dawson, Tricia Dailey. *Second row:* Fritz Krieg, Bill Baines, Jim Adams, Mike Ewing, Gene Sears, John Lorenz, David Disher, Mike Hurley. *Third row:* Larry Criss, Bob Collins, JoAnne Lorenz, Mike Chenoweth, Mike Seigle, Dave Siersdale, Richard Peine, Thomas Bennett, Kurt Henschen, Mike Juday. Lt. Charles R. Wilhelm *(not pictured)* sponsored the club.

Riflemen Improve Their 'Shooting Eyes'

RIFLE CLUB OFFICERS—*First row:* Fritz Krieg, range master; Pat Dailey, secretary. *Second row:* Dave Siersdale, treasurer; Bob Collins, president; Doug Bergerson, vice-president.

Girls and boys who wanted to improve their skill with guns, especially rifles, joined together to form the North Central Rifle Club. Lt. Charles R. Wilhelm was the logical choice for the club's sponsor, since he is also the commandant of the school's R.O.T.C. unit.

Throughout the winter, members met at the downtown YMCA each Thursday evening. There they held target practice and learned to shoot accurately from standing, sitting, kneeling, and prone positions.

When spring came, the group began to look for an outdoor rifle range, but no satisfactory one was available. Mr. James Adams then offered to let them use a portion of his farm if they would prepare their own area. The first warm days saw the more ambitious members busily clearing away the underbrush, and setting up targets.

BOWLING CLUB—*First row:* Judy Stange, Steve Hochman, Steve Scheffer, Shirley Rider, Jud Jaqua, Marcia Gorrill, Ruth Grau, Mickey Maurer, Pat Kelley, Mr. Harold Freeman, sponsor. *Second row:* Barbara Colby, Pat Hoffmann, Becky Greenwood, Marilyn Knoebel, Roger Roche, Judie Mitchell, Ellen Lampel, Phyllis Reid, Martha McKinley, John Bryant. *Third row:* Bill Gruenert, Leonard Hasler, Doug Clouse, Beverly Klunder, Diane Tabbert, Mary Hockett, Karen Kiger, Ann Peters, John Triller, Judy Kinnear, James Glore. *Fourth row:* Larry Gold, Phyllis James, Bob Dugan, Susan Duck, Stephen Swindler, Bob Murphy, Robert Boothe, Joe Etchison, Dick Eaton, Alan Shreve, David Lundin, Terry Weaver, Sandra Eby, Fred Ellis.

Bowlers Join Club to Enjoy Popular Sport

Fifty students decided they wanted to form a league, and the Bowling Club was organized. Mr. Harold Freeland agreed to be the group's sponsor.

The Broad Ripple Bowling Alleys were reserved for each Wednesday afternoon, and 10 five-member teams were quickly formed. Soon members were rolling two games each week. Secretary Pat Kelley recorded each person's scores, computed individual handicaps, and posted team records.

After several weeks of deliberation, the group decided to become affiliated with the National Junior Bowling Congress. Membership cards were secured, and the league participated in the National City Bowling Tournament in which they competed for high game honors with NJBC members from all over Indianapolis. Throughout the year, league awards were given to outstanding bowlers.

Bob Dugan and John Bryant got together before a game to compare their bowling grips.

BOOTS AND SADDLE CLUB—*First row:* Janice Bannon, Pat Kelley, Jackie Thompson, Beverly Bell, Sally Chandler, Mary Wolf, Beverly Swinney, Carol Van Meter, Kathy Woods, Barbara Sprague, Ellen Swigert, Donna Brown, Lynne Thompson, Betty Wynn, Anita Ditzenberger. *Second row:* Carolyn Smitha, Pam Daulton, Karen DeLang, Judy Lybrook, Phyllis Reid, Sandy Heisterkamp, Nancy Bugh, Lynn Griffith, Mary Mayhew, Carol Holmes, Barbara Bettge, Diane Clark, Pat Brafford, Phyllis Bernstein, Nancy McDowell, Lynn Hall, Jean Ditzenberger. *Third row:* Janice Schilk, Sherry Sutton, Jane Ramsey, Lynn Parish, Carol Sanger, Donna Gaugush, Janice Van Vactor, Sheila Hansel, Jo Mekel, Nancy Sherman, Susan Boggs, Anne Schuetz, Nancy Blythe, Ellen Lampel, Cobina Ferracane, Kathleen Foltz, Linda McKinney, Kathy Markey. *Fourth row:* Judy McLerran, Connie Zimet, Sandra Landers, Judy Whittington, Nancy Berkel, Robert Schloss, Jim Clark, Deanna Moser, Bobbi Mathers, Winston Knauss, Gene Sears, Judi McDonald, Ilsa Carter, Janet Gledhill. Mr. Robert Watson, sponsor stood at the rear left.

Boots and Saddle Set Up Plans for Future

When the club program got underway at North Central High School, some interesting requests for organizations were made. One of these was from a group of students who enjoyed the sport of riding down the bridle paths on horseback. Mr. Robert Watson consented to sponsor the group. Members selected the name "Boots and Saddle Club" for the newly formed organization.

Because the club got a late start, it was not too active this year. However, members did get together to discuss ways of improving their riding techniques, and properly caring for their horses, as well as to swap tales of horsemanship. Plans were also made to go on many equestrian outings.

Bobbi Mathers, secretary; Judi McDonald, treasurer; Janet Gledhill, president; and Lynn Hall, vice president, get together to plan an outing of the Boots and Saddle Club.

Future Nurses Advance Professional Knowledge

FNA—*First row:* Marcia Linder, Sue Edwards, Brenda Abell, Judy Plew, Lynne Thompson, Betty Satinsky, Susan Elliott, Sandy Elles, Carol Williams, Eleanor Chase, Beverly Ensley, Ginger Polay, Pat Radloff, Sarah King, Janice Bannon. *Second row:* Priscilla Jackson, Sherri Sutton, Brenda McChristian, Cobina Ferracane, Mary Buehler, Marty McKinley, Adra Heider, Libby Seigle, Linda Watkins, Marilyn Wilmore, Judy DeMarco, Tanya Dare, Janet Eliason, Joan Blaisdell, Judy Edwards, Diana Turley, Nancy McDowell, Judy Lybrook. *Third row:* Sue Hogan, Carol Shriner, Ann Deckelbaum, Judy Martin, Joni Tischer, Judi McDonald, Ilse Carter, Judy Warfield, Ann Linsmith, Billie Purchas, Phyllis James, Julie Wilson, Karen Wilson, Barbara Lofquist, Randi Palmer, Kathe Wiggam, Linda Brown. Miss Mary Doyle, school nurse, sponsored this group.

Each year more and more young women enter colleges and special nursing schools to take nurses' training. In line with this trend, a chapter of Future Nurses of America was organized by fifty-four North Central students with Miss Mary Doyle, school nurse, as its sponsor. Its purpose was to give interested persons an opportunity to learn more about their chosen vocation.

Even though this group was organized comparatively late in the school year, officers were quickly elected and a program was planned to include both community and school service projects, field trips to hospitals and pharmaceutical companies, and discussions of requirements and opportunities for careers in nursing. Special social functions besides the necessary business meetings were regularly held, too.

Cobina Ferracane, vice-president; Judy Lybrook, secretary-treasurer; Libby Seigle, corresponding secretary; and Marilyn Wilmore, president, planned many meetings of N.C.'s chapter of Future Nurses of America.

Talents Given Outlet in Art Club Activities

ART CLUB—*First row:* Becky Teague, Nita Colville, Ann Takayoshi, Kay Browning, Carol Matthews, Rosanne Iles. *Second row:* Phyllis Bernstein, Dee Shuck, Susan Koffenberger, Mary Hawes, Tom Chase, Carol Hall, Elaine Smith. *Third row:* Miss Zelda Zoe Rife, sponsor, Marean Weaver, Barbara Krueger, Judy Horst, Linda Dorbecker, Nancy Sherman, Pat Janes, Pam Greene.

Artistic persons interested in supplementing classroom instruction and in spending more time sketching and painting, formed the North Central Art Club with a charter group of approximately 25. Miss Zelda Zoe Rife, who taught all the art courses offered the first year, sponsored the club.

Plans were made to meet twice a month, once to enjoy an afternoon of developing art projects, and once for a more serious meeting to hear special reports and discussions. Field trips were to be scheduled to take the place of the second meeting whenever advisable. But the club was one of the last to be formed, so after organizational problems were ironed out, it was found that other activities would have to be postponed until next year.

Kay Browning, secretary-treasurer; Marean Weaver, program chairman; and Ann Takayoshi, president, were instrumental in forming the Art Club. Gretchen Schafer, assistant program chairman, was not pictured.

ROTC Makes Future Military Service Easier

North Central's R.O.T.C. unit was set up in September as a regular class with forty cadets participating. As soon as enough equipment arrived and school was operating on a full day basis, Lt. Charles R. Wilhelm, the unit's commandant, began teaching the group military procedure. Time was spent indoors learning about equipment; outdoors, boys drilled and practiced handling guns.

But all was not work, for during their first winter, the boys chose three sponsors, Marcia Black, Nancy Turner, and Barbara Freeland, and began making plans for their first Military Ball. Officers of the R.O.T.C. units in many Marion County high schools were invited to attend the dance which was held in the high school's student center the evening of March 23. At that time the cadets elected Nancy Turner to reign as their queen.

R.O.T.C. OFFICERS—*First row:* Lt. Charles R. Wilhelm, sponsor, Mark Huesing, Kenneth Porter, Steve Coons. *Second row:* Robert Obenchain, Morgan Fraley. *Third row:* Robert Hendrickson, Scott MacDonald, Tim Steele.

Publicity Becomes Serious Project for Bureau

NEWS BUREAU—*First row:* Fred Sisson, Myrna Pettit, Ginny Sims, Janet Sunderland, Marilyn Knoeble. *Second row:* Jane Smith, Ann Takayoshi, Marilyn Wilmore, Lynn Signorino, Susie Ferris, Kay Cooper, Carolyn Harris, Judie Mitchell, Linda Brandt, and Peggy Snyder.

High school publicity is an intensely competitive field among Marion County teenagers and their respective schools. Three large newspapers, the Indianapolis Star, Indianapolis News, and Indianapolis Times, use school news releases as does also the North Side Topics. But with 17 schools in the county, all stories that were released for publicity this year had to be unusually interesting, timely, and well written to rate space in the papers. Therefore, it soon became evident that a News Bureau was a "must" since only five persons were volunteering to help. Another journalism class was formed at the beginning of the second semester to handle newspaper publicity. Then the students' stories began to flow in a steady stream to the desks of the school news editors. Mrs. Kathleen Keilman was named the sponsor of this group.

The original group of correspondents for downtown newspapers, Kay Cooper for the Teen Star, Chuck Harrison for the Star, Linda Brandt for the News, and Judie Mitchell and Mike Clark for the Times, looked over recent publicity about their school.

Yearbook Publication Means Ten Months' Work

YEARBOOK STAFF—*First row:* Bill Beuhler, Myrna Pettit, Linda Brandt, Ginny Sims. *Second row:* Chelta Belt, Chuck Hepburn, Ann Takayoshi, Mrs. Kathleen Keilman, sponsor, Fred Sisson, Judie Mitchell, Barbara Hammer, Marilyn Wilmore, Barbara Lund, Janet Hedden, Carolyn Harris. *Third row:* Susie Ferris, Chuck Harrison, Don Foley, Fred Obenchain, Janet Sunderland.

To produce a yearbook the first year that a school is in existence can be quite a task. Six staffers attended the summer journalism institute at Indiana University with their sponsor, Mrs. Kathleen Keilman, to draw up a dummy for the Northerner and to learn the latest trends in yearbook architecture. Then, when school started, editors and assistants began the long grind of nine months' hard work.

With no previous example to follow, the yearbook staff had to set up an organization while work on the book was actually underway. While the rest of the people prepared copy and pictures for the book, the business staff sold yearbooks and conducted fund-raising drives. The group sponsored the "Turnabout Twirl," a pizza party, and a sock hop, as money raising drives, since no advertising was to be included in the first book. Financial help from the Triangle Club (parent-teacher) organization "saved the day" when time came to pay bills.

(Left) Nancy McDowell, underclass editor, who was not present when the above picture was taken, prepared copy for her section. *(Right)* Summer journalism staffers, Linda Brandt, editor-in-chief; Myrna Pettit, assistant editor; Bill Beuhler, business manager, Ginny Sims, copy editor; Mrs. Kathleen Keilman, sponsor; Fred Sisson, picture editor; and *Tom Ritterskamp, sports editor, made plans for the first yearbook while attending the summer Journalism Institute at I. U. *Deceased.

Newspaper People Establish 'Northern Lights'

The school newspaper got off to a slow start this year. The intention was to use the school print shop and to get out one issue each two weeks. But the presses were slow in arriving. For a while, Mr. John Shirley, the sponsor, commuted back and forth to Carmel where the paper was printed.

Eventually, the print shop was completed and the first home-produced issue came out. Then, as so often happens, the new machinery turned temperamental and had to be adjusted. For more than two months North Central was without a paper. But all problems were eventually solved and the paper again came out regularly.

After staff members had gained some experience, Tom Green was selected as editor-in-chief. Gretchen Schafer, Kay Browning, and Lynn Signorino, page editors; Mike Clark, sports editor; Peggy Snyder, copy editor; Billie Purchas, exchange editor; and Tom Chase, cartoonist, also received appointments.

Brooks, Nancy Stephenson, Gretchen Schafer, Tom Green, Lynn Signorino, were members of the first staff.

NEWSPAPER—*First row:* Bonnie Lawson, Kay Browning, Judie Mitchell, Tom Chase, Peggy Snyder. *Second row:* Billie Purchas, Lorraine Brooks, Nancy Stephenson, Gretchen Schafer, Tom Green, Lynn Signorino, were members of the First Staff.

Students Donate Study Halls and Free Time

BOOKSTORE, DEVELOPMENTAL READING LAB, AND NURSES OFFICE ASSISTANTS—*First row:* Jane Terzick, Bev Cummins, Barb Miller, Karen Kiger, Janet Eliason, Nancy Varnes. *Second row:* Judy Gambill, Ellen Lampel, Kay Browning, Jim Westfall, Jane Ramsey, Sheila Bryan, Judy Edwards. *Third row:* Linda Brown, Sally Richwine, Priscilla Jackson, Joanne Johnson, Linda Parrish, Sandy Bernard. *Fourth row:* Maureen Beutler, Ilse Carter, Skip Ferrell, Susan Duck, Mike Lewin, Dick Hayworth, Judy Oliver.

In addition to joining clubs, many students volunteered to donate their services during their first year at North Central High School. As student aides in the bookstore, nurse's office, and library, they worked during study halls and before and after school.

These boys and girls performed duties as varied as their places of employment. In the bookstore, students sold school supplies and helped Mrs. Mary Frances Taylor check the textbooks used in the school.

Whenever Miss Mary Doyle was not readily available, nurse's aides helped her keep records of students who were taken ill during the day.

Before the library officially opened, students assisted Miss Mary Louise Mann by putting plastic covers on the books and by putting Dewey decimal numbers on them. Then, when the library was ready for student use, they assisted by checking volumes in and out, and by shelving books.

LIBRARY ASSISTANTS—*First row:* Marcia Linder, Bill Felber, Patsy Novak, Betsy Traylor, Brenda Abell, Diane White, Diana Fairbanks. *Second row:* Donna Bishop, Jody Mutz, Carolyn Sheets, Dave MacPheat, Susie Elliott, Jim Gippurd, Terry Cuthbertson, Carol McClurg. *Third row:* Miss Mann, librarian, Judy Barker, Nancy Bugh, Judy Martin, Donna Hinchman, Susie Aycock, Jo Mekel, Doug Johnson, Kathe Wiggam, Steve Corman, Judy Lybrook. *Fourth row:* Suzanne Shafer, Suzan Steers, Mary Poehler, Don Tolan, Dave Newkirk, Jim Clark, Nancy Berkel, Barbara Porter, Kristin Kothe, Nancy Blythe.

To Make North Central a Better School

Many students found that jobs to their liking were available in the general office, the guidance offices, cafeteria or snack bar, so they volunteered their services.

The girls who worked in the general office performed varied duties. Some collected attendance slips from the classrooms and posted lists of absentees, while others provided messenger service or performed special tasks. In the guidance office, students acted as messengers for the counselors, and helped set up the guidance files.

Students, who worked in the cafeteria during the lunch hours, cleared off trays, and kept food supplied to the lines. After the fourth period and between the A, B, and C sections, they helped clean the cafeteria and straighten the tables and chairs. Several students also worked before school getting the cafeteria and supplies ready for the noon hour. Others performed many of the same duties after school in the snack bar.

GUIDANCE AND MAIN OFFICE ASSISTANTS—*First row:* Carole Ann Potter, Mimi Greely, Judy Moneyhun, Barbara Colby, Lynne Thompson. *Second row:* Bonnie Fischer, Frances Atwood, Lynda Helm, Tamsin Lee, Martha McKinley, Jacquie Grebe. *Third row:* Lynn Signorino, Brenda Moffett, Margie Bitner, Judy Kinnear, Sally Thompson, Peg Snyder. *Fourth row:* Carol Harvey, Judy Horst, Ilse Carter, Barbara Lofquist, Ruthie Adams, Mary Lou Stark, Bette Jo Iverson.

CAFETERIA—*First row:* Norman Pozner, John Sharik, Sheila Hansel, Melvin Dawson, Ronny Buesking, Bob Morrison. *Second row:* Marco Allen, Jim Spencer, Lee Davis, Bob Leary, Linda Lynch, Bob Seybert, Bob Marsischke. *Third row:* Morris Kurz, Bill Middleton, Danny Culbertson, Jim South, Jerry Johnson, Tom Carr, Joe Klobucar, Jim Morrison.

Music Department Plans Public Appearances

Building a top-notch Music Department is a slow process. Mr. Hollace Arment and Mr. Robert Schlatter, choral and band directors, were handicapped by lack of practice rooms and slow arrival of equipment. But enrollment was good, selection of singers for the Belles and the A Capella Choir was soon completed and programs were set up to include several group appearances.

A CAPPELLA—*First row: (top picture)* Janet Kidd, Karen Lemasters, Pam Nearpass, Nancy Stephenson, Pat Henry, Sandy Heisterkamp, Janet Graves, Karen Roessler, Lynn Hall. *Second row:* Linda Hirt, Betty Solinsky, Jan Hall, Jacque Kuilema, Mary Hockett, Janice Whitehead, Linda Mount, Judy Whittington, Faith Farmer, John Godley. *Third row:* Julie Wilson, Frank Shepherd, Brent Lindenberg, Don Tolan, Dave Siersdale, Danny Culbertson, Tom Draper, Fred Obenchain, Jerry McGill, Mr. Hollace Arment, director.

BELLES—*First row: (lower picture)* Lynne Umphrey, Bonnie Lawson, Shirley Sanford, Sandy Shrum, Judy Martin, Judy Lybrook, Barbarajean Mote, Nancy Abdon. *Second row:* Patty Martin, Nanci Nail, Paula Palshis, Tridi Stalle, Anne Schuetz, Martha Herrin, Judy DeMarco, Nancy Reynolds, Barbara Walters. *Third row:* Judy Stange, Dottie Henry, Martha Johnson, Jane Terzick, Teri DeMarco, Amy Lou Coffin, Kitty Grummann, Beverly Klunder, Janet Smith, Carol Holmes, Carol Burton, Nancy McDowell.

For Bands and Choruses Developed During Year

A BAND—*First row:* Tal Johnson, Lance Witmer, Roland Nail, Jim Bridges, Cecil Lindley, Mary Ann Sears, Judy Lookabill, Linda Lierman. *Second row:* Jim Koffenberger, Jo Mekel, Nan Newby, Steve Piel, Linda Dorbecker, Jim Marshall, Nancy Minnis, Mark English, Dick Bishop, Deanna Moser, Bill Felber, Dave MacPheat, Phyllis Reid, Jim Adolph. *Third row:* Charles Hitchcock, John Campbell, Dianna Jarvis, Patricia Sowney, Floyd Allen, Tom Robb, Jim Ciesar, Dick True, Pete Egbert, Phil Boyer, Don Foley, Dick Jetter, Dave Siersdale, Delmar Prah, Donald McTagertt, Chuck Johnson, Mr. Robert Schlatter, director, Alan Shreve, Jim Glore, Ed Simmons, Jan Boch, Dave Pike, Ronnie Brown. *Fourth row:* Sharon Hall, Scott Ford, Jane Ramsey, Bruce Jorgensen, Mike Moore, Jim Clark, Ben Newberry, David Binninger, Tim Stapleton, Jan Hall.

The A Band was started in September as a class for students who wished to be members of an instrumental music organization. By the end of the football season the group had become sufficiently skilled to make its debut as a marching band at the last game. They also performed at the Christmas assembly and the convocation to introduce the school songs.

When it became apparent that the A Band would not be able to meet all the commitments the community might ask them to make in the future, a call was sent out to find anyone interested in learning to play an instrument. Twelve students responded. They became the basis for the B Band which has started the second semester.

B BAND—*First row:* Nancy Berkel, Carol Sanger, Vickie Cole, Jack Cork, Mike Kibbey, Ed Peril. *Second row:* Bill Williams, Mike Clark, Mr. Robert Schlutter, director, Bob Wright, Wayne Stewart, Leonard Hasler, Steven O'Malley.

Orchestra, Music Organizations Look Ahead

ORCHESTRA—*First row: (top picture)* Carol Shuttleworth, Marianne Plzak, Linda Mount, Bill Brickson, Gloria Smith, Joe Klobucar, Lance Witmer. *Second row:* Judy Lookabill, Jo Mekel, Linda Dorbecker, Pete Egbert, Phil Boyer, Dave MacPheat, Jim Adolph. *Third row:* Nancy House, Jane Ramsey, Jan Hall, Jan Boch, Ronnie Brown. Mr. Robert Schlatter is standing at the rear.

BRASS SEXTET—(lower picture) Ronnie Brown, Chuck Johnson, Jim Adolph, Ben Newbery, Tom Robb, Floyd Allen.

To Next Year's Program of Public Appearances

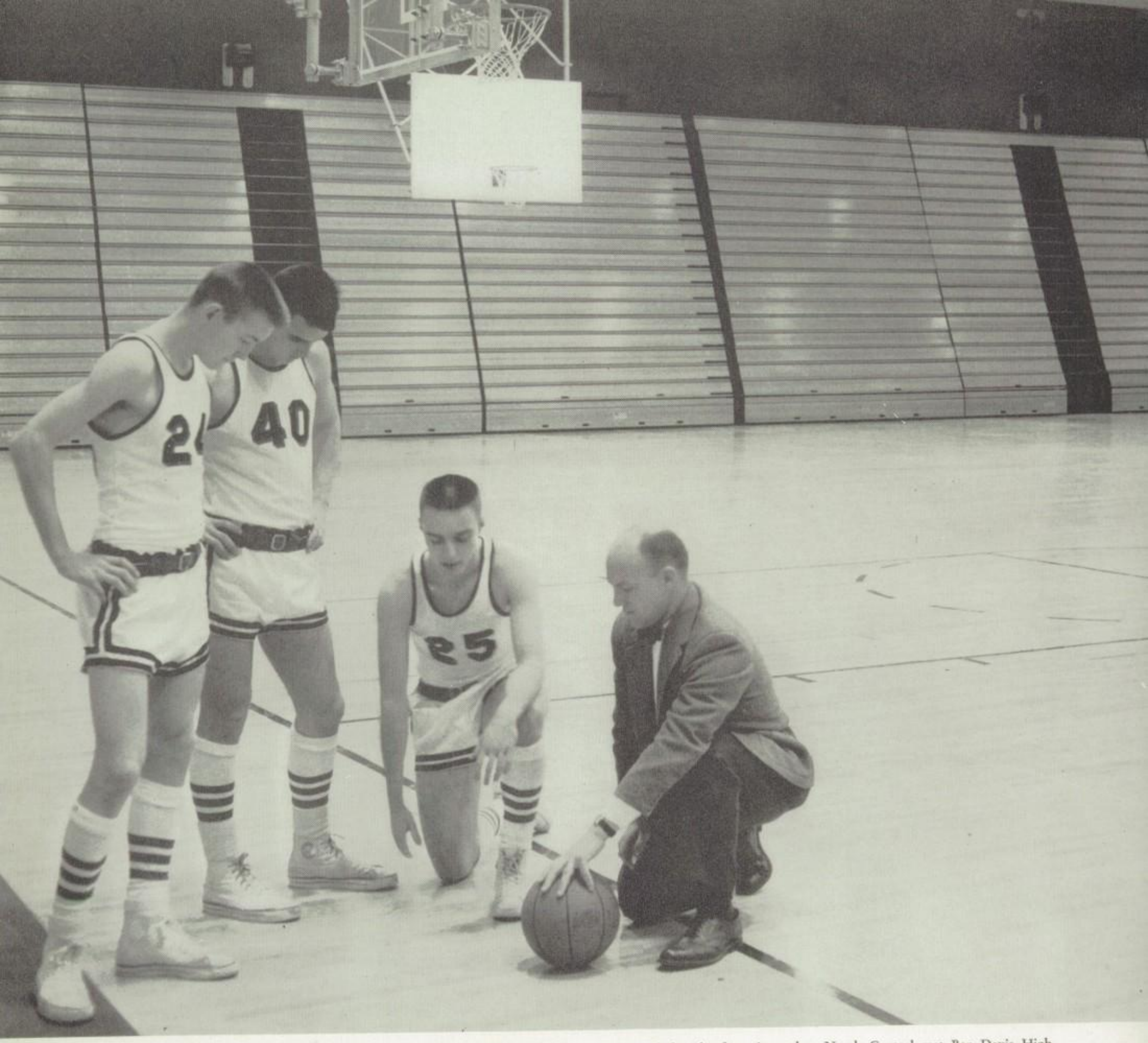
CLARINET QUARTET—Lance Witmer, Tal Johnson, Herb Spier, and Bob Morris were a happy group.

The orchestra was started as a regular class, but before any appearances could be scheduled, it had to be abandoned because of second semester registration conflicts.

Brass Sextet members proved themselves to be outstanding musicians, for the group received a first division rating at the All State Solo and Ensemble Contest. Jim Adolph, who played the French horn, received a second division rating in the solo department of the contest. Members of the Clarinet Quartet and Quintet also showed they were able players.

Even though no performances were scheduled for the Quintet, and only one appearance was made by the Quartet, both groups devoted much time to practice sessions. When the time for the music contest came, the clarinetists were ready, and the North Central Quartet came home with a first division rating.

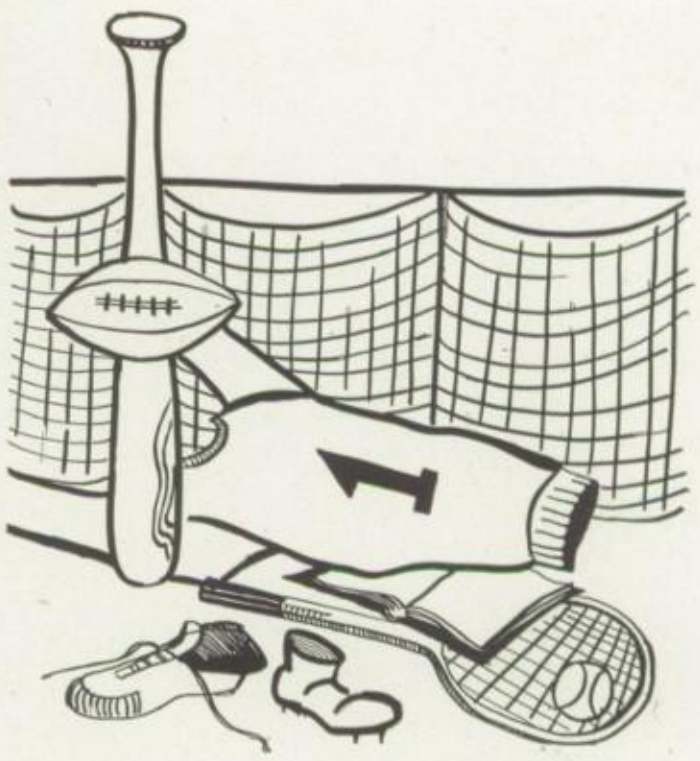
CLARINET QUINTET—Jo Mekel, Linda Dorbecker, Jim Bridges, Nan Newby, Jim Koffenberger.

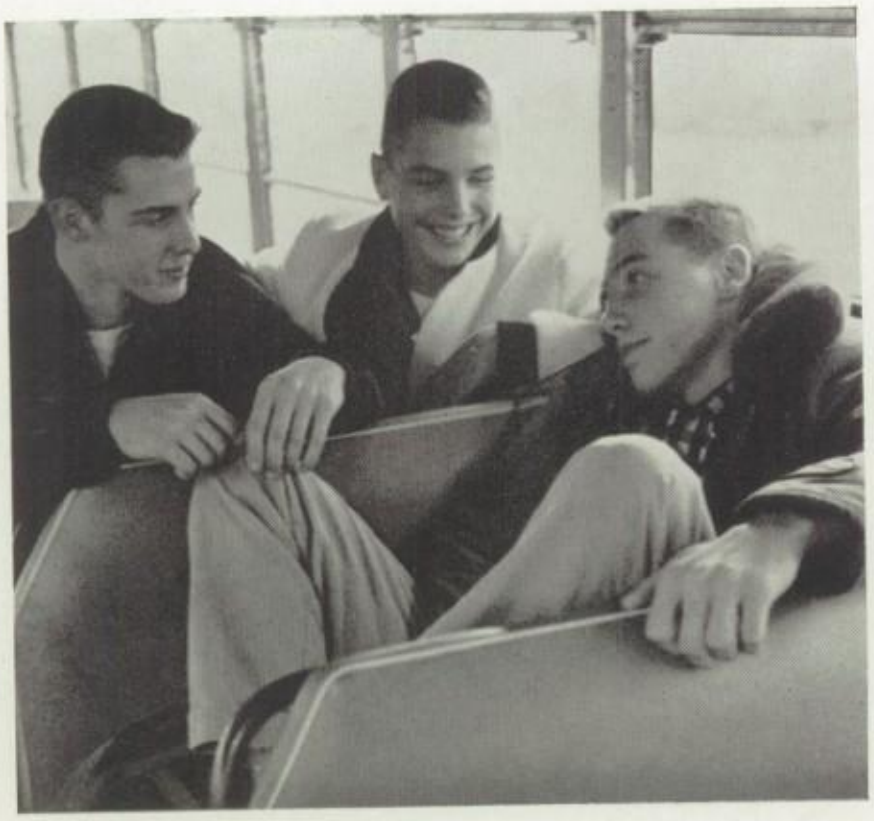


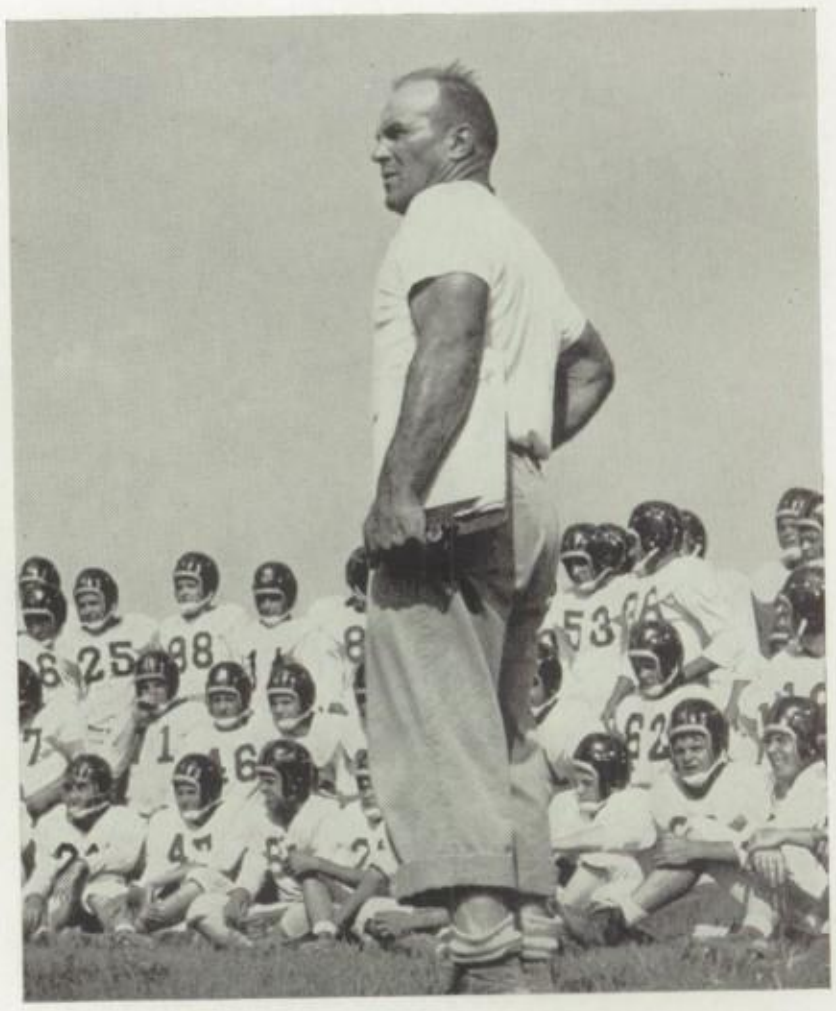
Stan Hines, Bob Beck, and Ed Bryan had a pre-season conference with Marvin Wood over their basketball possibilities. The bright new gym was used for the first time when North Central met Ben Davis High School in a game February 1.

An excellent coaching staff was chosen to initiate the athletic program at North Central. But these men knew that the first year would be one of preparation rather than of accomplishment, since it takes time to whip a winning team into shape. Therefore no one was discouraged when the losses column was filled more often than the winning one. The chief concern of the coaches was with the signs they saw of a dawning team spirit and enthusiasm, of cooperation of the boys with each other, and of increased skill. It meant the kind of gradual growth that achieves more important results in the long run. To the freshmen went the honor of putting the first trophy in the case—one for cross-country.

Sports



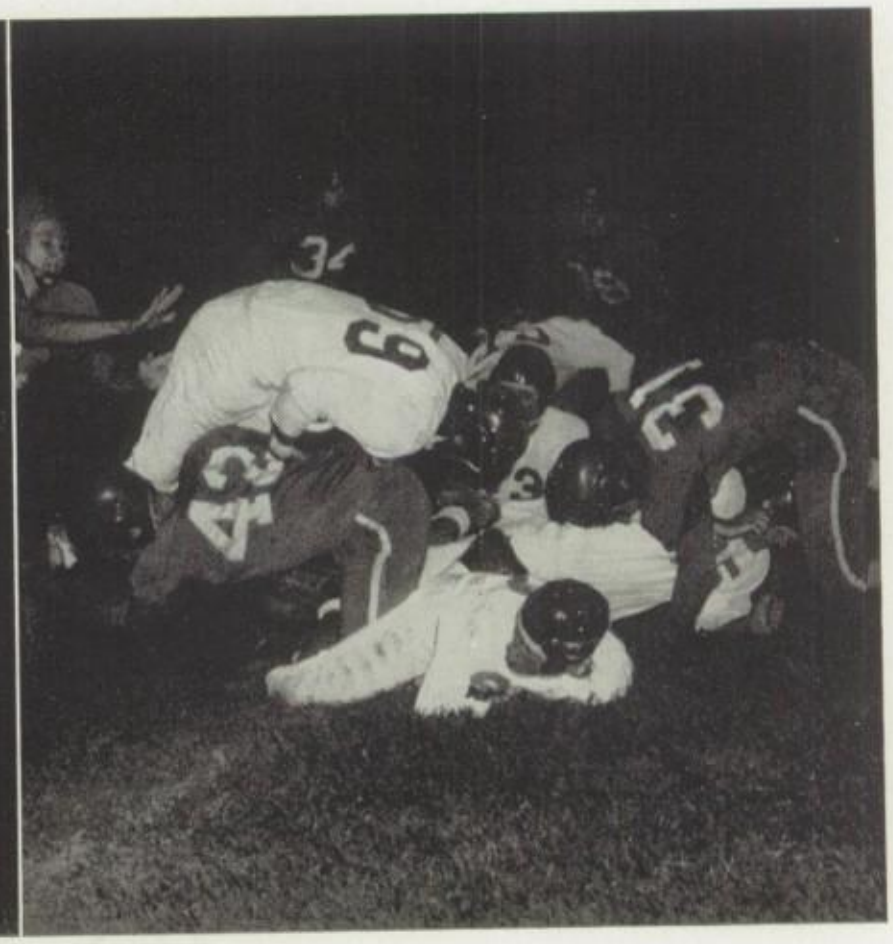




(Above) Lloyd Ashman, Jim Birr, and Dan Kelley talked over their ideas about the coming game while they were on the bus. *(Right)* Coach William Smith gave his team prospects the necessary instruction before the season play started.

Lack of Previous Experience Holds Gridmen

(Left) Bob Beck, who later was named to the All-County football team, charged down the field to score a touchdown that brought North Central a victory. *(Right)* North Central and Carmel's players made a dive for the ball. One of North Central's two victories was in the tight game with Carmel.



On a hot day in August, about eighty boys, wearing new football uniforms, began practice on the rocky, dusty field next to Nora School. Equipment was the finest that could be purchased and new tackling and blocking dummies were available for acquiring the correct techniques.

The long, hard work-outs in the "Dust Bowl" paid off when the first North Central team made a fine start by defeating Carmel 27-13. For lack of a playing field, the contest was held at Broad Ripple. The Panthers traveled down to Greensburg for their second game. Although playing a somewhat shaky brand of football, they triumphed by a score of 13-0. The rest of the season was unfortunate for the North Centralites, who were unable to break into the winning column again.

After losing to Wood, 32-7, to Greenfield, 14-13, in a very close game, and to Frankfort, 19-0, the home team faced Fort Wayne Central for the final game. North Central, rated as underdogs, went into an early lead with a score of 14-7 at the half. But Fort Wayne, bounding back in the second period, edged the North Central gridmen out, 28-21, in one of the most thrilling contests of the season.

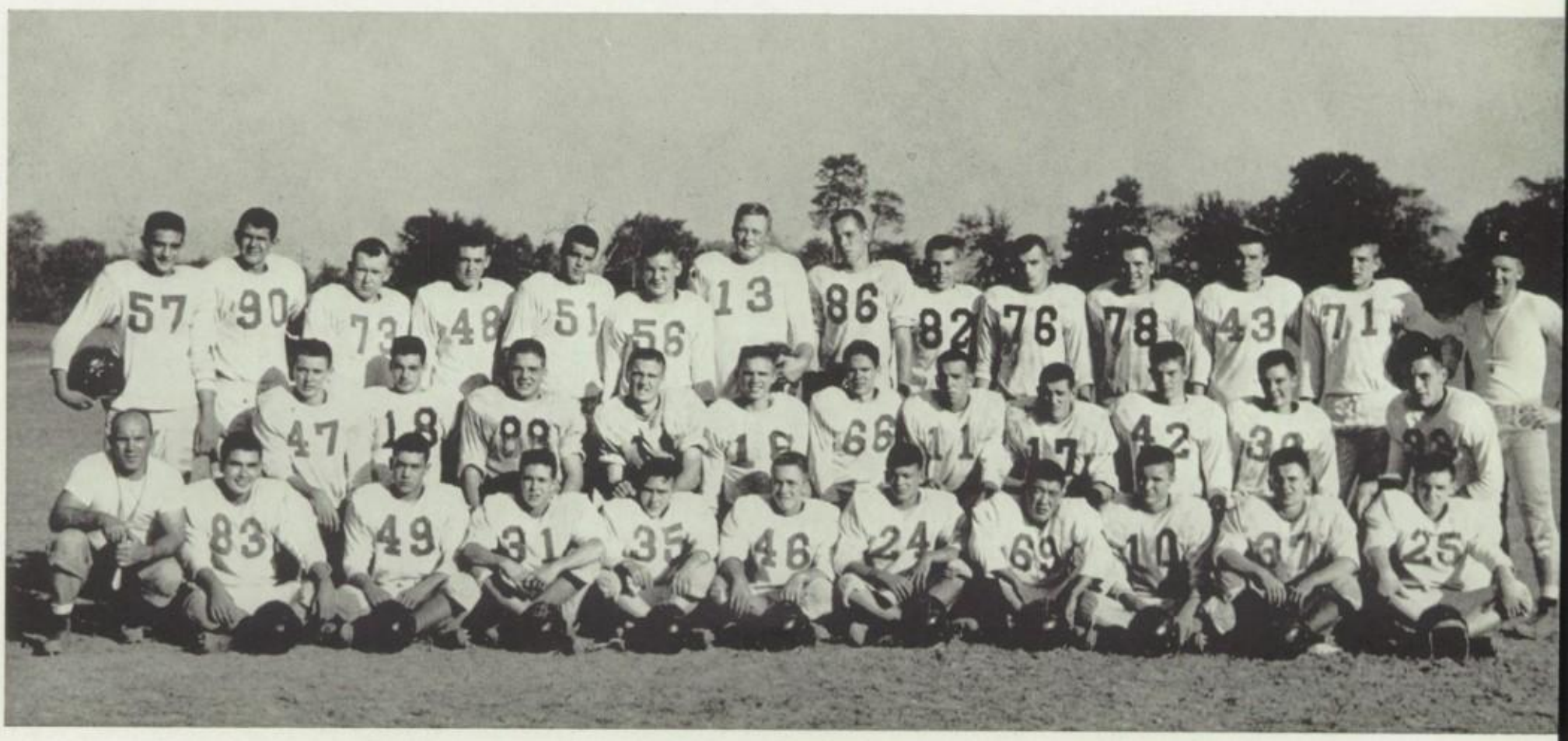
Bob Beck, junior fullback, and Larry Gold, senior center, were rated honorable mention as members of the All-County team selected by the Indianapolis Star. Beck was also high point man for the squad.

The season's record of two wins and five losses fails to tell the entire story. Balancing the lack of previous experience, and the fact that there was only one senior in the school this year, against the record of wins and losses, proves that actually the team's showing was good. The Panthers topped their opponents in first downs and rushing yardage.

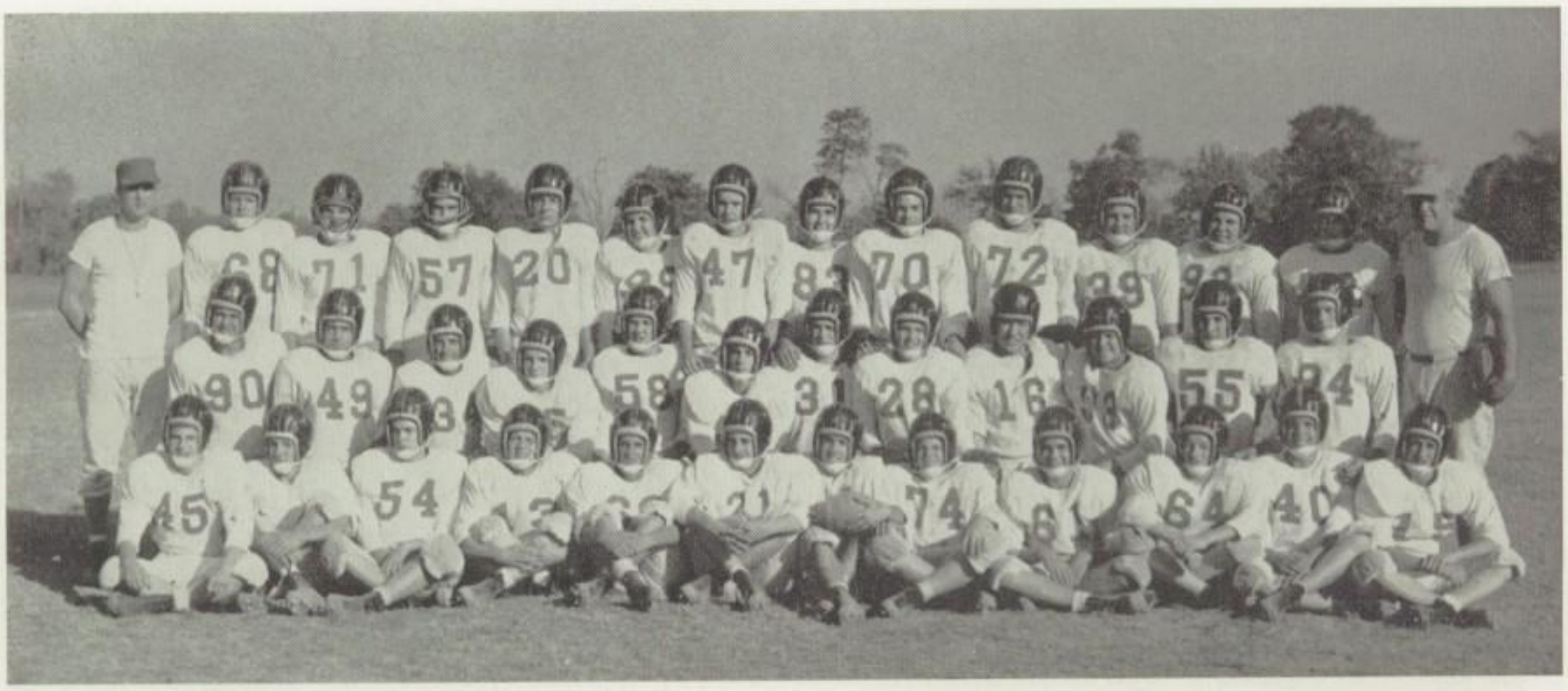
For lack of a stadium at North Central, all the football games had to be played on the opponents' home field or on a rented one. However, next fall the home field should be ready for the season's play.

To 2-5 Record for First Season of Play

VARSITY FOOTBALL—*First row:* Head Coach Bill Smith, Mark English, Don Morrison, Jim Marshall, Don Bowen, Jim Blythe, Bill Wilsted, Dennis Takayoshi, Dave Anderson, Jim Gledhill, and Paul Vaughn. *Second row:* Jim Light, Bob North, Larry Gold, Joe Etchison, Ronnie Gill, Ed Copeland, Jim Leffel, Terry Martin, Sam Bangs, Bob Martz, and Dick Young. *Third row:* Dean Wert, Chuck Poland, Mike Hern, Chuck Harrison, Dan Harlan, Chip Wilhoite, Chuck Lugar, Dan Kelley, Lloyd Ashman, Bob Beck, Chuck Lyon, Dick Arens, Jim Birr, and Assistant Coach George Oberle.



Underclassmen Complete First Season



FRESHMAN FOOTBALL—*First row:* Wayne Dennison, Mike Vinze, John Triller, Glenn Conway, Bill Diehl, Tom Deeter, Mark Hurley, Steve Tegarden, Jon Amato, Ron Hocker, Dave Lundin, and John Peters. *Second row:* Chuck Poland, Don Morrison, Mike Sage, Paul Vaughn, Bob Enoch, Dick Osborn, Jim Marshall, Tom Jenkins, John Augustus, Mark Beesley, Joe Walsmith, and Bob McKim. *Third row:* Coach Dean Evans, Steve Lathrop, Jim Birr, Dean Wert, Cliff Lambert, Richard Miller, Jim Light, Mark English, Bob Culp, Steve Wilson, Bill Tyner, Ed Krause, Terry Weaver, and Coach Walt Viellieu.

North Central's reserve and freshman football teams started the 1956 season by playing Warren Central in a "double-header" on the opponents' home field. In order to have enough time for both games, the quarters were shortened and the North Central teams were never able to get started. Both games ended in a 0-0 tie.

The next reserve games were with Noblesville and Southport respectively, and the home team suffered defeats in both encounters. Meanwhile, the freshmen, doing considerably better, walloped Southport in a well-played game and won another decisive battle against Lawrence Central.

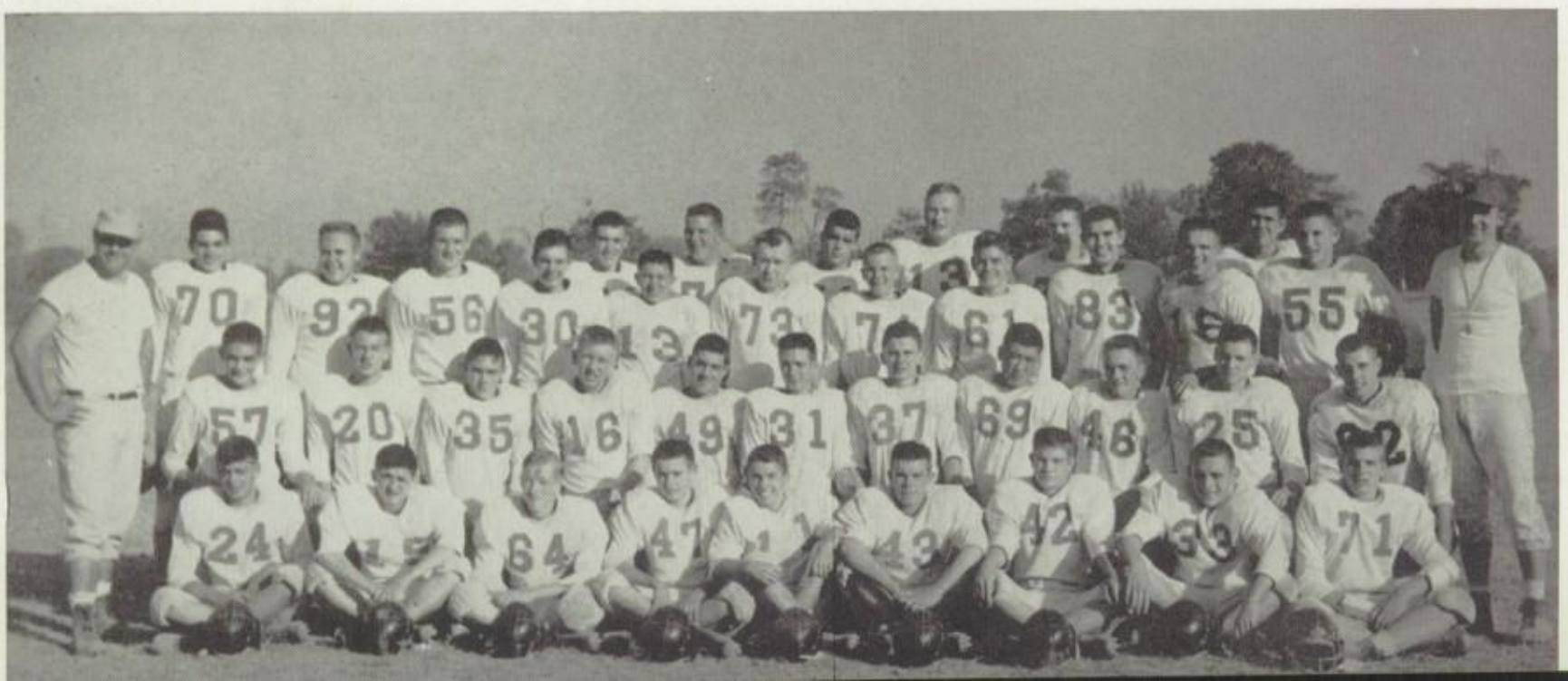
RESERVE FOOTBALL

NC		Opp.
0	Warren Central	0
7	Noblesville	34
12	Southport	44

FRESHMAN FOOTBALL

NC		Opp.
0	Warren Central	0
19	Southport	6
13	Lawrence Central	6

RESERVE FOOTBALL—*First row:* Bill Wilsted, John Peters, Ron Hocker, Jim Light, Mark Hurley, Dick Arens, Sam Bangs, Dick Young, Jim Birr. *Second row:* Dean Wert, Cliff Lambert, Don Bowen, John Augustus, Don Morrison, Jim Marshall, Jim Gledhill, Dennis Takayoshi, Jim Blythe, Paul Vaughn, Lloyd Ashman. *Third row:* Coach Walt Viellieu, Bob Culp, Ed Krause, Chip Wilhoite, Bob Martz, Glenn Conway, Mike Hern, Steve Tegarden, Jon Amato, Mark English, Ronnie Gill, Joe Walsmith, Coach Dean Evans. *Fourth row:* Chuck Harrison, Steve Wilson, Dan Harlan, Chuck Lugar, Bob McKim, Chuck Poland.



Harriers Come Close to State Competition

VARSITY CROSS COUNTRY—*First row:* Brad Waltman, Roscoe Campbell, Dan Johnson, Jim Peterson, and Fred Antibus. *Second row:* Steve Jay, Larry Coffey, Head Coach Charles Riley, Tom Ritterskamp.* and Dave Newkirk. *Deceased.

North Central's first cross-country team won over Washington, Howe, Lawrence Central, and Wood, in dual and triangular meets, and came within one place of being eligible to go to the state meet. They came out third behind Attucks and Shortridge in the Marrion County Invitational. But the thinly-clads crossed the finish line ahead of Southport, Ben Davis, Westfield, and Pike Township in the North Central Invitational.

The Panthers slipped to thirteenth place in the Shortridge Invitational; then bounced back to take second place in the County Meet at Southport. In the Sectional, the North Central runners came within one place of qualifying for the State Meet. High point men for the squad were Brad Waltman, Dave Newkirk, and Tom Ritterskamp, respectively.

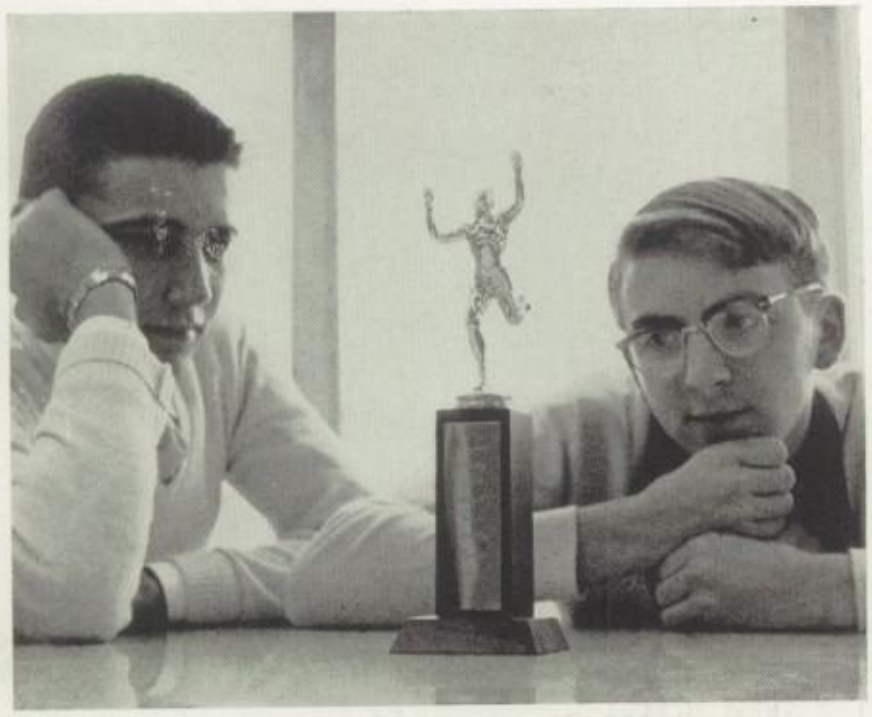
The reserve team, made up of freshmen running against older and more experienced teams, failed to place first in any one of their three meets. However, when running in their own class, the freshmen tied Southport, came in eighth place in the Shortridge Invitational, and beat Broad Ripple.

Jim Peterson, Larry Coffey, and Roscoe Compbell round the turn during their warm-up lap before their coming cross country meet.

FRESHMAN CROSS COUNTRY—*First row:* Bob Wright, Bob Geoffrion, Jim Manifold, Rollie Nail, Wayne Burns, and Larry Chesterfield. *Second row:* Bob George, student manager, Bob Doane, Carlyle Henry, Steve Hall, Paul Partlow, and Dick Kropp.

Reserve Thinly-Clads Show Future Possibilities

Carlyle Henry and Brad Waltman, team members, admired the first trophy to go into the athletic showcase. It was brought to the school by the freshman cross-country team.



VARSITY CROSS-COUNTRY

NC		Opp.
21	Washington	36
25	Howe	34
15	Wood	40

SPECIAL MEETS

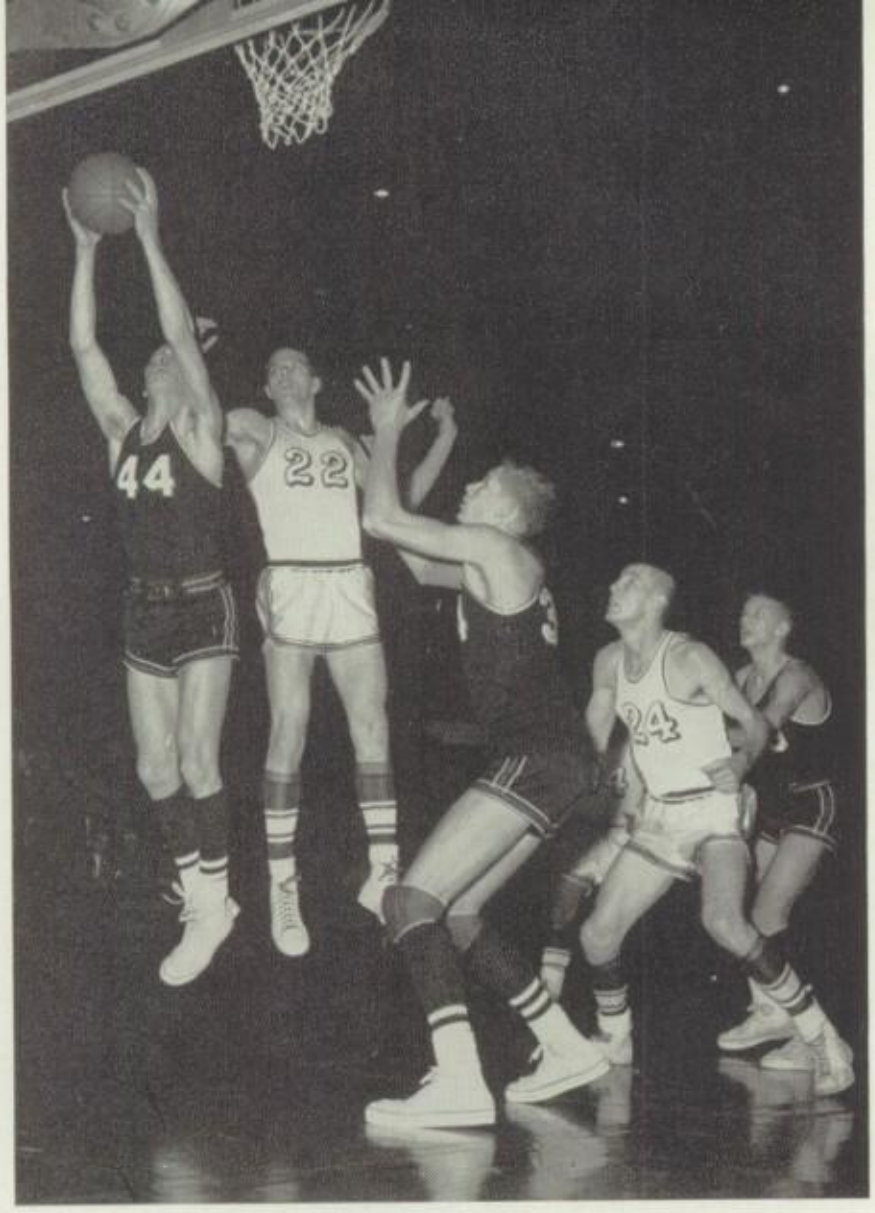
Triangular Meet at Lawrence Central	1st
Marion County Invitational	3rd
North Central Invitational	1st
Shortridge Invitational at South Grove	13th
County Meet at Southport	2nd
Sectional Meet at South Grove	5th

Cheerleaders Add to Spirit at Games

Varsity cheerleaders who led the North Centralites in their yells this year were Sherry Brooks, Pat Merriman, Joni Tischer, Susan Koffenberger, and Betty Lankford.

Reserve yell leaders for the first year were *(standing)* Caroline Petty, Gretchen Schafer, and Cindy Kernahan, *(kneeling)* *JoAnn Ditz*enberger, Babs Freeland, and Linda Brown.

Cheerleaders who boosted the frosh teams were *(standing)* Barbara Porter and Linda Hirt, *(kneeling)* Judy Stange, Julie Wilson, and Betty Wynn.



Dan Kelley jumped high for a lay-up shot which brought North Central two points closer to victory. Teammates Jim Cluley (forward) and Randy Briggs (background) watched.

Basket-Ballers Wind Up First Season

When North Central faced its first county tourney competition, the ball changed hands frequently. North Central kept the game going at a fast pace but Southport was just a little faster, as proved by the final score of 55-42. The Panthers lacked the experience to wind up in the victor's spot. The Cardinals, however, had a tough battle in defeating Central's first year team.

VARSITY BASKETBALL—*First row:* Student coach Tom Chase, Bob Trent, Ed Bryan, Randy Briggs, student coach Steve Carter. *Second row:* Coach Marvin Wood, Dave Epperson, Joe Wood, Bob Beck, Steve Browning, Coach Eugene Cloncs. *Third row:* Jim Cluley, Herb Spier, Jim South, Dan Kelley, Jack Munro.

As They Advance to Zionsville Semi-Final

North Central hoopsters finished the 1956-57 basketball season by advancing to the semi-finals of the Zionsville Sectional.

After a slow season of only one win in nineteen encounters, the Central round-ballers again proved that when it comes to sectionals, season records don't mean a thing. Facing Granville Wells on the first night, the Central five finally ended on top of a 54-51 score after a see-saw game. The fired-up Panthers were then matched against Lebanon. At the end of the first quarter, the scoreboard showed Central to be in the lead by a score of 16-14. But Lebanon, coming back stronger, outscored the Central netters by four points to take a lead of two points at the end of the half.

The sharpshooting Panthers grabbed a lead of two points in the second half and were never again behind as they went on to win their third game of the season.

The hardwood five finally bowed to Thorntown, the eventual winner of the Zionsville Sectionals, by a score of 46-39.

In the regular season's play, Central lost to Carmel 67-44, Zionsville 38-35, and Warren Central 76-32, before outscoring Beech Grove 59-50.

The Panthers failed to win again until the sectional tourney where they wound up the season with a climactic finish. Ed Bryan, Jim Cluley, and Stan Hines were high scorers for the team.

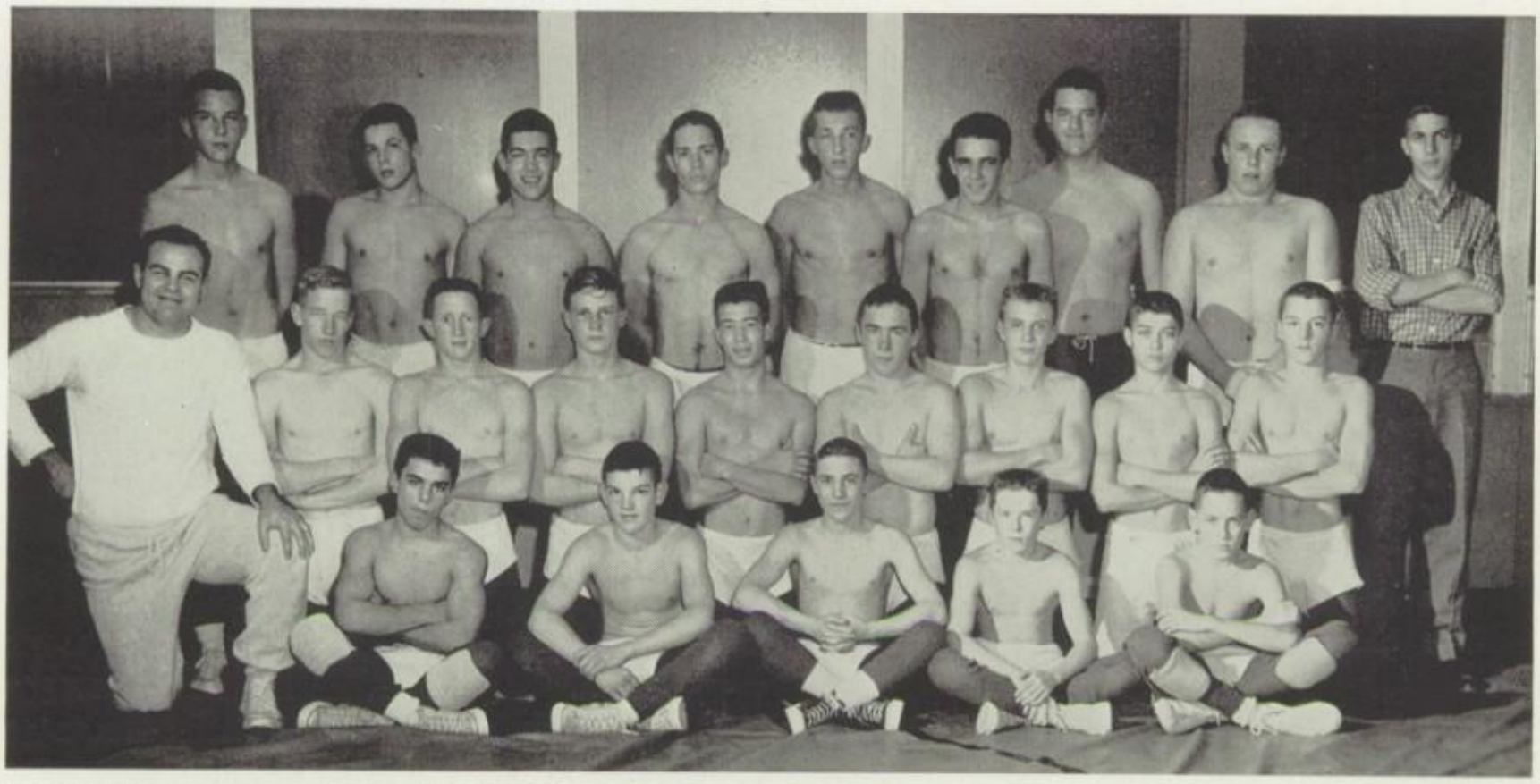
The reserve team was again made up almost entirely of freshmen, and having completed a schedule identical to that of the varsity, compiled a record of seven wins and ten losses.

RESERVE BASKETBALL—*First row:* Student manager Danny Johnson, Jim Lane, Avie Celender, Bob Doane, Coach Eugene Clones. *Second row:* Jim Danby, Jim Halverson, Whit Warman, Bill Johnson, Jim Birr. *Third row:* Jimm Light, Ben Weaver, Charles Poland, John Boffo, Richard Gheen.

Underclassmen Teams Complete First Season

FRESHMAN BASKETBALL—*First row:* Steve Tegarden, Danny Haston, Bob Angell, Ricky Foxworthy. *Second row:* Coach Norman Harner, Mike Sage, Bob Grau, Brad Waltman, Bob Wright. *Third row:* Don Ring, Carl Norman, Joe Walsmith, Mark English, Paul Vaughn.

Grapplers Win One-Third of Meets Entered



WRESTLING—*First row:* Craig Reynolds, Jim Kinch, Ronny Buesking, Jack Mendell, Phil Shaver. *Second row:* Coach Walt Viellieu, Ron Hocker, Don Black, Cameron Welles, Tom Shumaker, Don Bowen, Wayne Stewart, Allan Olmsted, Butch Rogers. *Third row:* Cliff Lambert, Charles Poland, Don Morrison, Larry Warren, Steve Jay, Carlyle Henry, Steve Wilson, Ed Krause, student manager Dick Osborn.

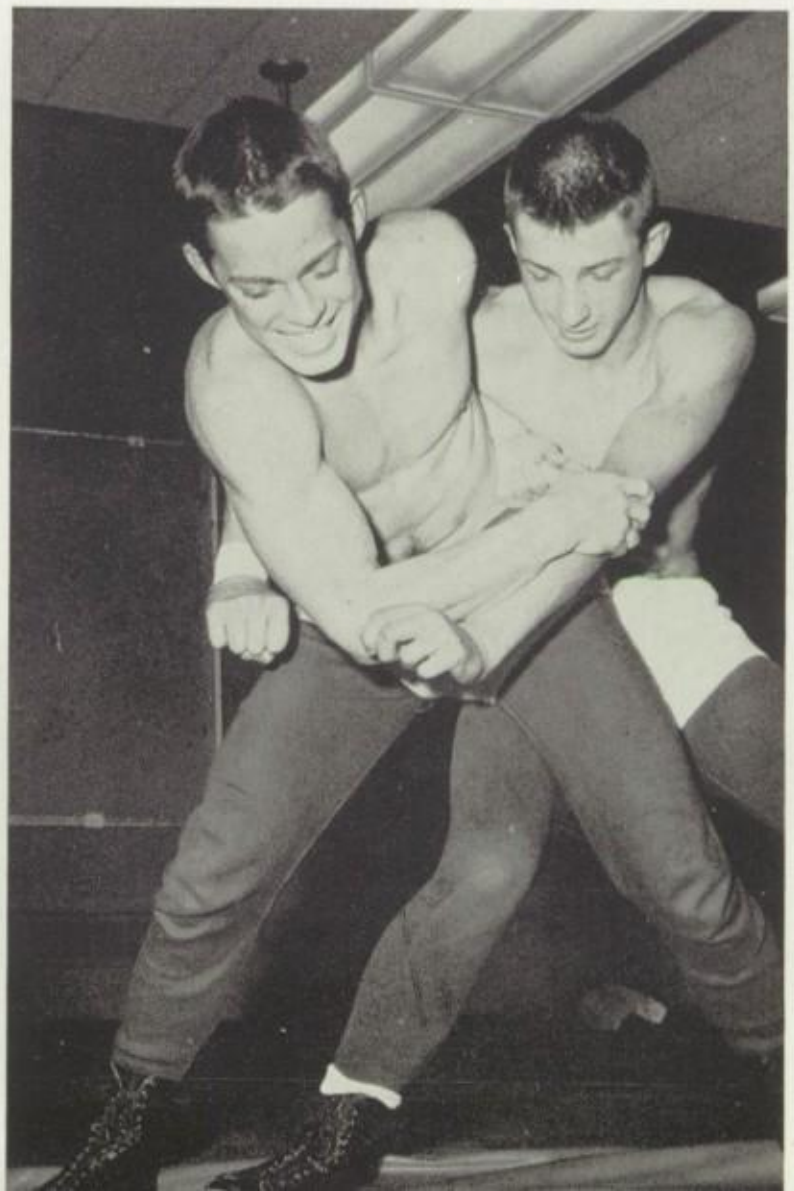
Coach Walt Viellieu's grapplers ended the season with a 5-9-1 record. Their first match with the Deaf School resulted in the North Central team winning by a score of 31-16. The next encounter with New Castle proved to be a hard battle for the inexperienced grunt and groaners, but they tied the score 25-25. In the following meet the Panthers fought hard to earn a clear-cut victory over Park, 41-16.

After losses to Marion and Harry E. Wood, team members were encouraged by wins over Franklin Township, Lawrence Central, and New Castle.

As the season progressed, the mat men found it impossible to defeat the so-called "tough-to-beat" schools such as Shortridge, Broad Ripple, West Lafayette, Richmond, and Decatur Central.

Central wrestlers lost to Crawfordsville at the end of the season. For individual honors, Larry Warren placed fourth in the County Tourney while Don Black came in third in the West Lafayette Sectionals.

(Lower left) Butch Rogers and Craig Reynolds demonstrate some of the holds that helped them during the season's matches. *(Below)* Larry Warren and Steve Jay, who were two of the team's leading scorers, showed the great agility that helped them win many of their meets.



Trackmen Practice at Butler, for Future Meets

TRACK SCHEDULE

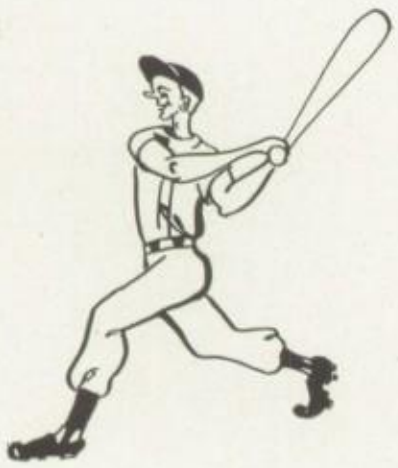
April	2	Speedway
	4	Cathedral
	8	Manual
	10	Noblesville and Elwood
	12	Westfield
	18	Scecina
	23	County Tournament
26 or	27	Waldron Relays
	30	Ben Davis and Franklin Township
May	3	Noblesville Relays
	7	Warren Central
10 or	11	Sectional
	17	Regional
	25	State Meet

This year's track team had the advantage of setting records as a standard for future teams to follow, rather than having to try to beat those made by athletes in the past. Record holders are listed below.

Event	*Record Holder*	*Time*
Low Hurdles	Bob North	22.2
High Hurdles	Bob Carr	16.
220	Fred Ellis	24.3
440	Roscoe Campbell	55.
880	Brad Waltman	2:09.5
880 Relay	Fred Ellis, Fred Antibus, Chuck Johnson, Bob Trent	1:41
Mile Relay	Steve Jay, Bob Trent, Brad Waltman, Roscoe Campbell	3:47.4
Shot Put	Bob McKim	37′ ¾″
Broad Jump	Bob Trent	20′ 2¾″
High Jump	Bob Trent	5′ 9″
Pole Vault	Joe Walsmith	10′

TRACK TEAM—*First row:* Bob Wright, Gary Alderman, David Maxwell, Bob Martz, Steve Blair, Ronnie Buesking, Frank Krahulik. *Second row:* Steve Jay, Fred Antibus, Larry Warren, Bob Smith, Paul Simpson, Jim Peterson, Roscoe Campbell, Jim Gledhill, Fred Ellis. *Third row:* Dean Evans, head coach, Bob Trent, Jim Wead, Paul Dierberger, Bob Echard, Chuck Johnson, Bob Carr, Chuck Lyons, Mike Hern, Bob North, David Newkirk, Larry Coffey, Dick Arens, Bill Wiederrecht, Dick Miller, student manager.

Diamondmen Play Full Schedule in First Season



At the time the yearbook went to press, the baseball team was proving the most successful of the athletic groups. They had already made a record of seven wins and four defeats.

The batmen showed considerable strength in the pitching field. Outstanding examples were Jim South, who pitched a no-hitter against Pike, and Ed Bryan, who did an outstanding job in the Decatur Central game. Another highlight in the season was the North Central 6-1 victory over Washington.

BASEBALL SCHEDULE

April 11	Franklin Township
22	Noblesville
25	Greenfield
30	Lawrence Central
May 1	Washington
4, 6, 7, 8	Marion County Tournament
13	Warren Central
16	Kokomo
17	Lebanon
21	Ben Davis
24	Decatur Central
27	Pike Township
28	Cathedral
June 5	Manual

VARSITY BASEBALL—*First row:* Doug Bergerson, Ed Bryan, Steve Tegarden, Bob Angell, Paul Vaughn, Joe Etchison, Ron Hocker, Jim Hedback, Jim South, and Student manager Bill Dugan. *Second row:* Ronnie Gill, Ed Copeland, Herb Spier, Lloyd Ashman, Stan Hines, Terry Martin, Dave Anderson, Randy Briggs, Dick Fairchild, and Student manager John Hart. *Third row:* Assistant Coach Marvin Wood, Glenn Conway, Tom Chase, Tom Jenkins, Ed Krause, Mark English, Richard Gheen, Dan Harlan, Harry Dawson, Bob Beck, Brian Duwe, Butch Gaddis, Bob Doane, and Head Coach George Oberle.

Eager Prospects Make Up Golf, Tennis Squads

TENNIS TEAM—*First row:* Mike Dickson, Jim Leffel, Bob Beckmann, student manager, Tom Miller, Roger Roche, and Bob Grau. *Second row:* Chuck Harrison, Mark Beesley, John Triller, Bill Diehl, Cameron Welles, Dwight Ritter, and George Sweet. *Third row:* Head coach John Shirley, Dan Kelley, Terry Weaver, Tom Bennett, Dick Osborn, Mike Clark, and Bob Schloss.

GOLF TEAM—*First row:* Avie Celender, Dick Pointer, Bill Gruenert, John Bryant, and Jim Turner. *Second row:* Head Coach Norman Harner, Sandy Levinson, Bill Land, Bob Turner, Steve Browning, Jim Danby, Bill Johnson, and Dave Epperson.

TENNIS SCHEDULE

April	10	Kokomo
	12	Lafayette Jeff
	22	Frankfort
	24	Howe
	26	Crawfordsville
	30	Ben Davis
May	2	Cathedral
	7	Park
	8	Shortridge
	13	Muncie Central
	16	Ben Davis
	20	Park
	24	Richmond
	29	Marion

GOLF SCHEDULE

April	1	Broad Ripple
	4	Martinsville
	9	Lafayette Jefferson
	11	Washington
	22	Lawrence Central
	25	Logansport and Tech
	26	Crawfordsville
	30	Madison Heights
May	2	Warren Central
	4	Bloomington
	7	Howe, Cathedral and Shortridge
	11	Laporte Invitational
	14	Howe
	17-18	Sectional
	21	Columbus
	25	State Meet

Coaches, Lettermen Cooperate in First Season

In the first year it was necessary for the coaches and athletes to work together to establish a sports program.

To pay for the uniforms that were essential, the lettermen took charge of concessions at the basketball games and also sponsored a pancake supper on March 8. Another money-making project was the Letterman-Faculty Basketball game in which the Faculty proved to be the better.

The Letterman's Club helped serve the school by sweeping floors at intermission and helping at games.

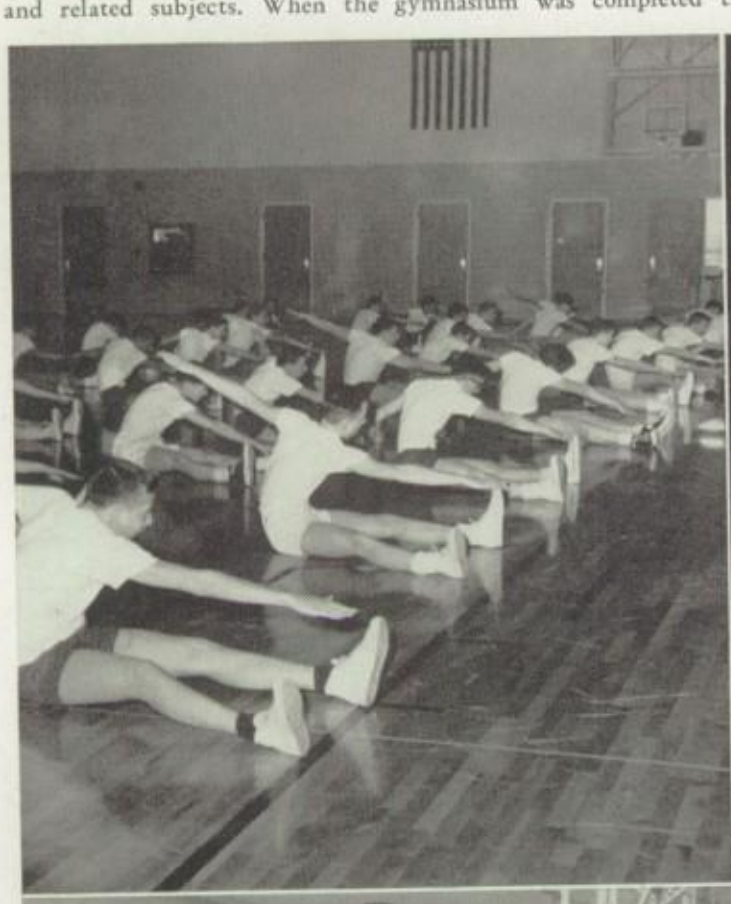
Coaches who started North Central in its first athletic program the first year included: *(seated)* William Smith, football; *(standing)* George Oberle, baseball; Walt Viellieu, wrestling; Dean Evans, track; Charles Riley, cross-country; Norman Harner, golf; John Shirley, tennis; and Marvin Wood, basketball.

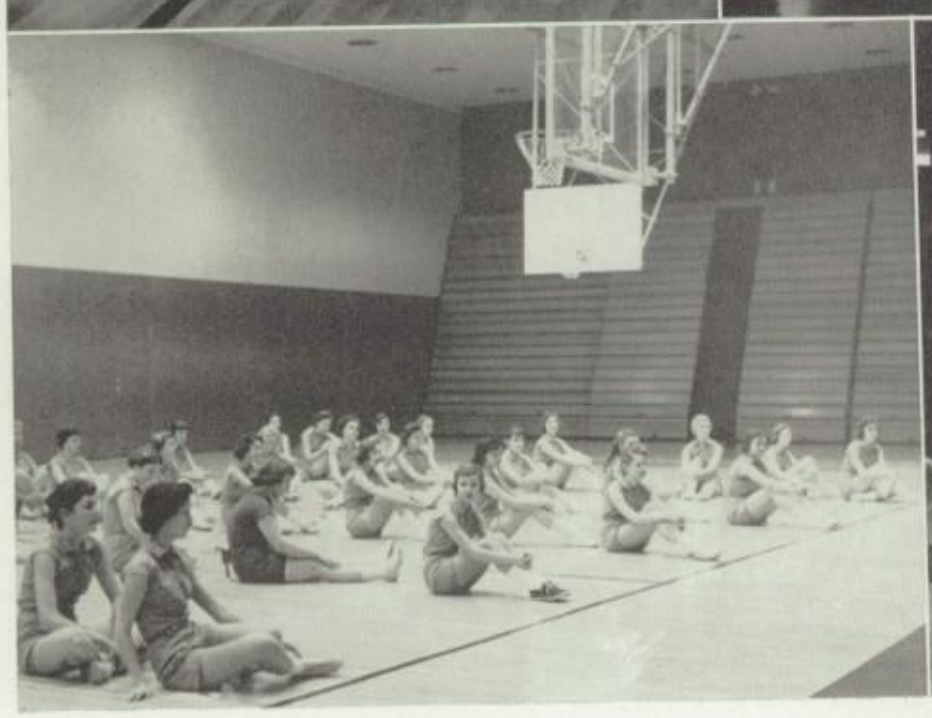
LETTERMAN'S CLUB—*First row:* Phil Shaver, Don Black, Dennis Takayoshi, Brad Waltman, Ed Copeland, Jim Peterson, Ronald Hocker, Roscoe Campbell, Larry Warren. *Second row:* Dave Newkirk, Bob North, Bob Trent, Dave Epperson, Chuck Lyon, Steve Jay, Larry Coffey, Eddie Bryan, Dave Anderson, Terry Martin. *Third row:* Mr. Robert Watson *(sponsor)*, Stan Hines, Joe Etchison, Bob Beck, Jim South, Jim Leffel, Steve Browning, Jim Cluley, Pete Kuilema, Dan Kelley, Chip Wilhoite, Mr. Keith Stroup *(sponsor)*.

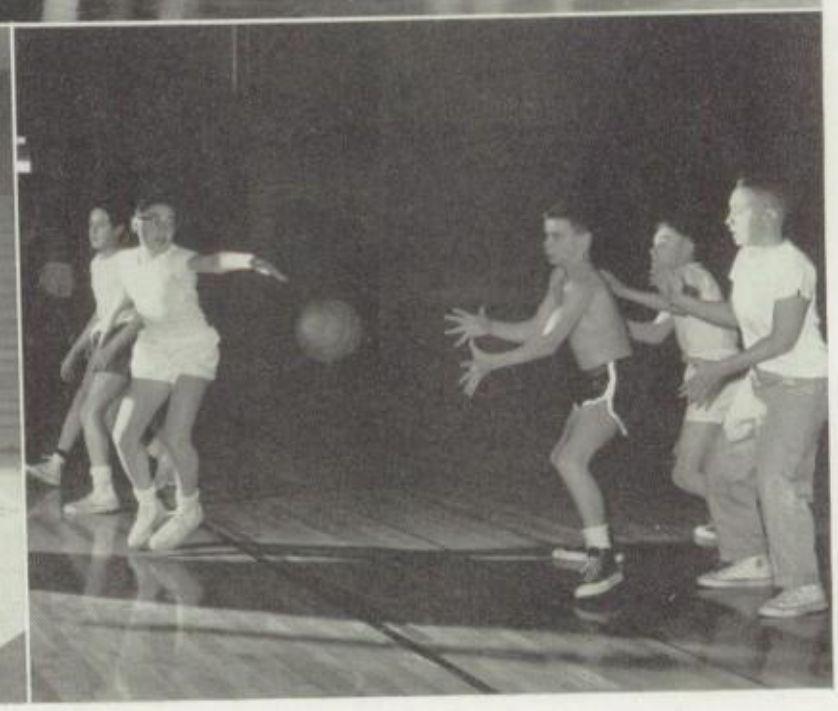
Gym Classes Help in Forming Good Habits

Another colorful place in the school is the gymnasium, done in shades of green with scarlet trim. It can be divided into two parts, one for the boys and one for the girls. The sliding panel, which is electrically controlled, divides the gym into two sections. Bleachers can be pushed back so as to form a solid wooden wall. Four basketball nets give ample practice equipment, and shuffleboard courts, painted on the floor, provide an extra source of entertainment. Athletic offices for coaches and gym teachers, and shower and dressing rooms are built at each side of the gym. Also there is an athletic equipment room where the uniforms and equipment are stored.

Athletic instructors had a rough time the first semester for it was not until February that they were able to hold their classes in the gym. However, this time was far from wasted because they taught health and related subjects. When the gymnasium was completed the boys and girls began their regular program. Completely modern and very extensive equipment made the students look forward to this class each day.







Athletic Season Ends With Spring Sports

(Above left) Tom Miller demonstrated the smash shot that he used in all of his tennis matches.

(Above right) A batting cage, being used by Stan Hines, catcher, and Randy Briggs, batter, proved to be very helpful in baseball practice.

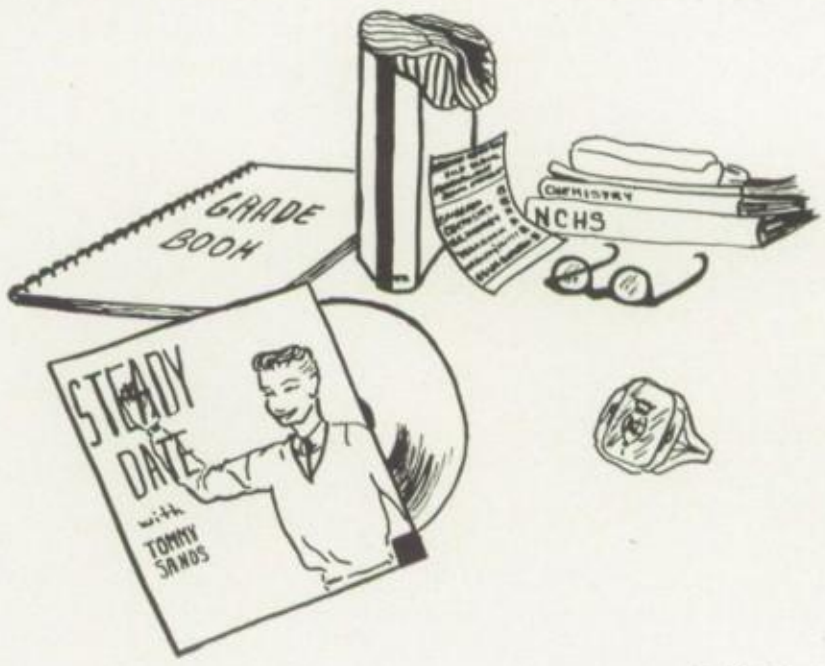
(Lower left) Joe Walsmith, pole vaulter, went sailing through the air as he cleared the bar.

(Lower right) Teeing off in a golf match was Bill Land, who did very well during the first part of the golf season.

The beautiful Student Center was the focal point of teen-age life in the new school. Julie Wilson and Chuck Poland, freshmen; Cindy Kernahan and Ed Copeland, sophomores; Bob Fuller and Lynda Lee, juniors, gathered to represent their classes.

School opened with more than the number of pupils expected, for the new building attracted families who moved into the community so their teen-age children could attend North Central. At first it was difficult for the boys and girls, who had come from Shortridge, Broad Ripple, and other schools, to realize that they were to *establish* traditions, not continue their old ones in this new environment. While history is in the making, it is impossible to evaluate it fairly, but when the year was over the new student body had begun to sense its role in organizing North Central and to appreciate how far it had come toward unity and loyalty and acceptance of new ways.

People



Administration and Faculty Spend Busy Year

(Above) Dean B. Smith, principal, was one of the busiest men in the building.

(Lower) Callison Simon, vice-principal, paused for his picture.

When *Dean B. Smith* accepted the position of principal of North Central High School, leaving Marion where he had been administrator for eight years, he probably didn't realize what a tremendous job he faced. But he soon found his personal life had to be more or less shelved for a while, since the summer was spent in organization and planning, and the winter in carrying out those plans for the new school. Days blended into nights as far as his school duties were concerned.

As principal he had to carry a tremendous burden. On the one hand were the parents with their great interest in the new school; on the other, there were 1083 boys and girls to mold into a unified, loyal student body, and 56 faculty members to indoctrinate with the ideals and policies of the school system.

As is natural in any new and untried situation, Mr. Smith had to consider numerous and diversified opinions before making decisions. Through it all, he maintained a calm and patient attitude that amazed his associates. No matter how trying the day, his temper remained unruffled and his optimism high. His was the long view of the project and the courage to ride out situations in the firm conviction that everything would settle into its allotted place for creating a special first-class commissioned school where none had existed before.

Callison Simon, dynamic and enthusiastic, was Mr. Smith's assistant. In this, his first year as an administrator, he began to learn the problems of dealing with young people from both the parent's angle and the faculty's. He visibly gained in stature as the year progressed, growing in the poise essential to administrative duties centered chiefly around attendance, discipline, and transportation, as they pertain to numerous activities in a busy school year.

In Organization of New High School

Mr. Light had his offices in the administration building located at the entrance to the back road leading into North Central High School.

Mr. Everett Light, coming from Rushville, Indiana, where he was superintendent of schools for ten years, came into the Metropolitan District enthused with the desire to work closely with parents in fulfilling their dream of a school. His was the task of organizing the administrative functions for providing the necessary building facilities, and instructional staff. He, too, bent all his energies toward completing the job by September, working night and day through the preceding winter and summer months. Screening applicants so as to provide the best possible faculty, making a thousand and one decisions, and working in close harmony with the school board and parents, kept him extremely busy.

All three men, Mr. Light, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Simon shared a common goal—that of setting a high standard of achievement for the new school, and of complete dedication to its promotion.

All three faced difficult situations with aplomb, and they felt a deep inner satisfaction when, in spite of some delays and inconveniences, they evaluated the year at its end and found it one of tremendous accomplishment.

A very important part of a school is the office staff. Records of all kinds, reports, bulletins and many other items are handled by the competent women in North Central's main office. Mrs. Lydia Mitchell, records secretary, took Mrs. Dora Greenough's place when the latter moved to Florida. Mrs. Estelle Behan is switchboard-receptionist, and Mrs. Pauline Scott, Mr. Smith's secretary. *(Reading from left to right)* Mrs. Mitchell types daily absent record. Mrs. Behan checks with Judy Davis, office messenger, about the class schedule. Mrs. Greenough puts absentee numbers on report cards. Mrs. Scott runs the mimeograph machine.

FACULTY

Miss Geraldine Bagby—Junior Girls' Counselor; Coordinator of Extra-curricular Activities; Co-sponsor of Students Council; formerly taught Franklin City schools.

Miss Mary A. Doyle—School Nurse; Health and Safety, Home Nursing; Sponsor of Future Nurse's Club; formerly taught John Strange School.

Miss Mary Louise Mann—Head Librarian; formerly taught Tech High School.

Dr. Gene L. Schwilck—Director of Student Personnel; Coordinator of Guidance Services; formerly taught Park School.

Mr. Keith Stroup—Athletic Director; Sponsor Lettermen's Club; formerly taught Marion High School.

Mr. Kenneth Warren — Junior Boys' Counselor; Coordinator of Student Testing; Co-sponsor of Student Council; formerly taught Harry E. Wood School.

Mr. Hollace Arment—Vocal Music; formerly taught Ohio University.

Mrs. Marjorie C. Boles — English; formerly taught Delaware Trail School.

*Mrs. Carolyn W. Brunner—Speech English; Sponsor Debate Club, Speech Contests; First Year Teacher.

*Mr. Robert J. Bryant — Advanced Mathematics; formerly taught Broad Ripple High School.

Mr. William D. Bugher — French; Sponsor French Club; Sponsor Model Railroading Club; First Year Teacher.

Mr. Eugene Cloncs — Ancient and World History; Asst. Basketball Coach; formerly taught Crawfordsville High School.

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Coffin—English; Freshmen Girls' Counselor; Freshman Class Sponsor; Aeronautics Club Sponsor; formerly taught Shortridge High School.

Mrs. Betty H. Culp—Algebra; Junior Spectacular Act Sponsor; formerly taught Howe High School.

**Mrs. Marion B. Dryden — English, Speech; Oratorical Contest, Debate Club Sponsor; formerly taught Greencastle High School.

Mrs. Ruth Klipsch, Mr. George Oberle, Miss Zelda Rife, and Mr. Charles Wilhelm enjoy the faculty lounge.

FACULTY

Mrs. Margaret G. Dunlap—Girls' Physical Education; Cheerleader Sponsor, Junior Spectacular Act Sponsor; Booster Club Sponsor; formerly taught Ben Davis High School.

Mr. Dean Evans—Citizenship; Sophomore Boys' Counselor; Track Coach; formerly taught Columbus High School.

Mr. Thomas F. Fisher—English; Co-sponsor All School Play; formerly taught Michigan City.

Mr. Harold Guy Freeland—Ancient and World History; Bowling Club Sponsor; formerly taught Frankfort High School.

Mrs. Donna M. Grubbs—Bookkeeping, General Business, Personalized Typing; Sponsor FBLA, Sophomore Class Sponsor; formerly taught Shortridge High School.

Mr. Norman L. Harner—Driver Education; Coach of Golf and Freshman Basketball; Golf Club Co-sponsor; formerly taught Greenwood High School.

Mr. James L. Hunter — General Metals, Mathematics, Driver Education; formerly taught Richmond Senior High School.

Mrs. Kathleen D. Keilman—English, News Bureau; Yearbook Sponsor; formerly taught Ben Davis High School.

Miss Cleo Kinnison—Latin; Latin Club Co-sponsor; formerly taught Warren Central High School.

Miss Carolyn Kleifgen—Home Economics; formerly taught University of Chicago High School.

Mrs. Ruth S. Kivett—English; U. S. History; First Year Teacher.

Mr. Robert Paul LeMaster — Graphic Arts, General Shop; Freshman Class Sponsor; formerly taught Washington High School.

FACULTY

Miss Ruth E. Lesley—Latin; Co-sponsor Stamp and Coin Club, Latin Club; formerly taught McKinley High School, Winchester, Indiana.

Miss Julia Lee Morrow—Spanish; Spanish Club Sponsor, Junior Spectacular Act Sponsor; First Year Teacher.

Miss Helen Noffke—Math; Algebra Contest Group Coaching; formerly taught Tech High School.

Miss Gletha Mae Noffsinger — English; Junior Class Sponsor; formerly taught Central High School, North Manchester, Indiana.

Mrs. Marie North—Developmental Reading; formerly taught Purdue University.

Mr. George H. Oberle — Physical Education; Freshmen Boys' Counselor, Baseball Coach, Junior Spectacular Act Sponsor; formerly taught Earlham College.

Mr. Kenneth Patton—U. S. History, Citizenship; Quiz 'Em Team Sponsor; formerly taught Fall Creek School.

Mr. Robert L. Prettyman—Botany, Zoology, Biology; formerly taught College of Pharmacy at Butler.

Mrs. Marion Randall—Dramatics, English; Dramatics Club Sponsor, All School Play Sponsor; First Year Teacher.

Mrs. Edith Reese—Shorthand, Typing; FBLA, FTA Sponsor; formerly taught Zionsville High School.

Mr. Frank E. Rhea—Business Law, Typing; Projectors Club Sponsor; formerly taught Bicknell High School.

Miss Zelda Zoe Rife—Art, Crafts; Sponsor Art Club; First Year Teacher.

Mr. Charles E. Riley — History, Citizenship; Cross-country Coach; formerly taught Nora School.

Mr. Kenneth Spencer Robinson—Physics, Math; Electronics Club Sponsor; formerly taught Oakland City High School and Oakland City College.

Mr. Robert J. Schlatter—Instrumental Music; formerly taught Bluffton High School.

FACULTY

Mr. John N. Shirley—Journalism, English; Tennis Coach; formerly taught Herbert Hoover High School, San Diego, California.

Mrs. Mildred E. Shirley—Algebra, Geometry; Sophomore Girls' Counselor; formerly taught Ben Davis High School.

Mr. William S. Smith—Physical Education, Health and Safety, Driver Education; Football Coach, Asst. Track Coach; formerly taught Lawrence Central High School.

Mr. Walter Viellieu — Biology, Driver Education; Head Wrestling Coach, Asst. Football Coach; First Year Teacher.

Mr. Robert Lee Watson—Chemistry; Sponsor of Boots and Saddle Club and Junior Class; formerly taught Yorktown High School.

Mr. Allan R. Weinheimer—Mathematics; formerly taught Broad Ripple High School.

Mr. John Wendling—Spanish, German; Sponsor Hi-Y; formerly taught Purdue University.

Mrs. Katherine Wert—Latin; Asst. Librarian; formerly taught Fall Creek School.

Mr. Charles Wilhelm—R. O. T. C., U. S. History; Co-sponsor Stamp and Coin Club; formerly taught Mill Creek High School.

Mrs. Helen Wingfield — English; formerly taught Fall Creek School.

Mrs. Edith Wisner — Mathematics; formerly taught Fall Creek School.

Mr. Marvin Wood—Driver Education, Health and Safety; Basketball Coach, Asst. Baseball Coach; formerly taught New Castle High School.

Mr. G. L. Woodruff — Drafting; Sophomore Class Sponsor; formerly taught Nora School.

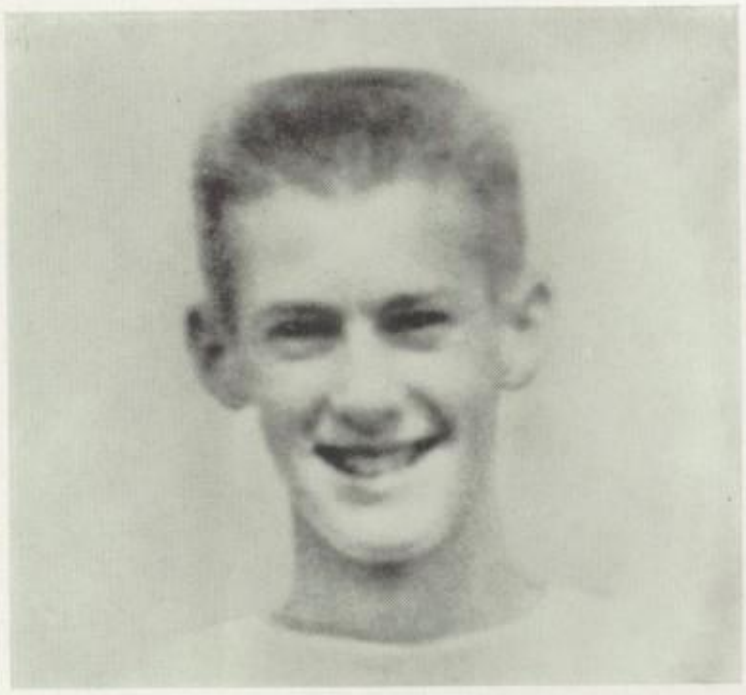
**Mrs. Ruth R. Klipsch—Mathematics; formerly taught Indiana Soldiers and Sailors Children's Home, Knightstown, Indiana.

**Mrs. Catherine McMahon—Mathematics; formerly taught Round Grove High School.

*Resigned at end of first semester.

**Joined faculty at mid-year.

Classes Hold Meetings, Elect Officers



Tom Ritterskamp, deceased president of the first Junior Class of North Central.

The first Junior Class at North Central had an unusual privilege. For two years they were to be "top men" with no other class above them. Election of officers took place early and results were announced at a special dance. The group began to function as a well-organized unit.

One of the largest projects undertaken by the class was the Junior Spectacular, a glorified vaudeville that drew in actors from the entire student body. The affair was a success both from a financial and an entertainment viewpoint.

The next big project undertaken was the Junior Prom. Candidates for king and queen were chosen by members of the Junior class. Queen nominees included Linda Brown, Barbara Freeland, Barbara Hammer, Adra Heider, Sally Sage, Nancy Varnes, Marean Weaver, Marilyn Westfall, Judy Whitacre, and Becky Wolf.

Sam Bangs, Steve Browning, Ed Bryan, Larry Coffey, Dick Fairchild, Bob Fuller, Dan Harlan, Dan Kelley, Terry Martin, and Jim Peterson were nominated as candidates for prom king.

On the morning of November 7, 1956, students of North Central were shocked to hear of the tragic death of Tom Ritterskamp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ritterskamp, following an automobile accident the previous night.

At Broad Ripple, a brilliant scholastic record gave Tom the distinction of being voted "Most Outstanding Student" in his freshman and sophomore years. He was also prominent in cross-country at BRHS for two years, and at North Central for the 1956 season, earning his letter at both schools.

In mid-October Tom was elected to the office of president of his class and had not yet presided over a meeting when his death occurred. His fellow-classmates chose not to elect another president since Tom had been such a capable and well-liked person. Marcia Maher, vice-president, took over as acting president and continued as such for the entire year.

Miss Gletha Noffsinger and Mr. Robert Watson were the class sponsors.

and Set Up Social Schedule This First Year

SOPHOMORE PLANNING COMMITTEE—*(seated)* Janet Gledhill, Chip Wilhoite, John Dugan, Jim Harris, Larry Barrett. *(Standing)* Linda Porteous, Judy Olmstead, Betty Lankford, Helen Lorenz, Sally Thompson, Kathy Sinclair, Nancy Colville.

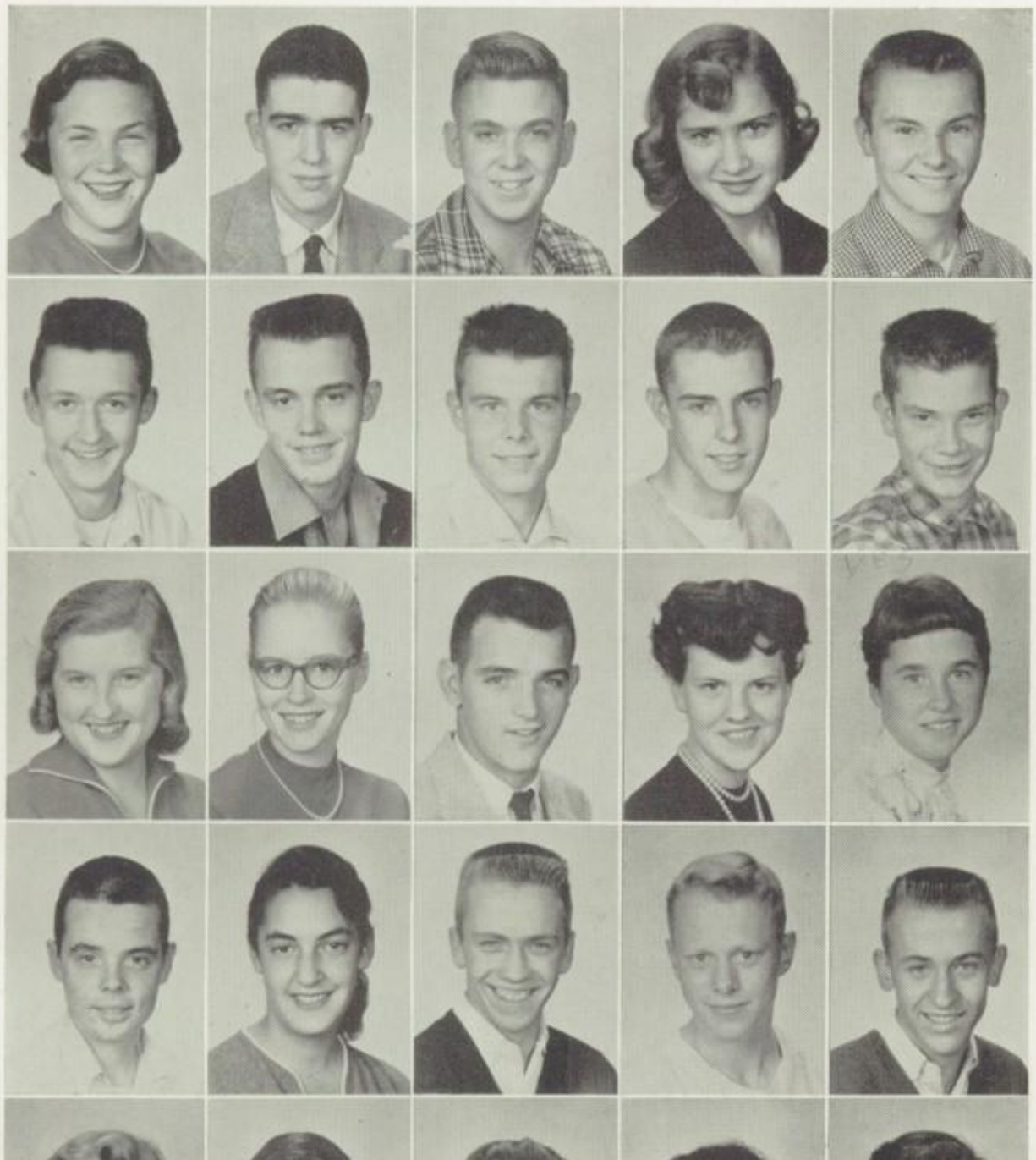
FRESHMAN PLANNING COMMITTEE—*(seated)* Judy Stange, Betty Wynn, Linda Danke, Randy Jehs, Amy Coffin, Tamsin Lee, Terry Cuthbertson, Tamra Edgington. *(Standing)* Jim Marshall, Ben Newberry, Paul Partlow, Bill Johnson, Jim Birr, Steve Gibbs, Marsha Shelton, Brad Waltman.

Sophomores and freshmen elected officers also, but Student Center during the holidays. Donated ornatheir projects were limited. Both classes had special parties for their members. The freshmen performed a service for the entire school when they decorated a beautiful Christmas tree which was placed in the ments were kept for future use.

Sophomores decorated the Student Center in a heart and cupid motif for a big semi-formal "Holiday of Hearts" dance.

Mrs. Donna Grubbs and Mr. G. L. Woodruff are sponsors of the Sophomore Class, and Mrs. Elizabeth Coffin and Mr. Robert LeMaster are sponsors of the Freshmen.

Juniors



Ruth Adams, James Adolph, Alan Allread, Marguerite Amos, David Anderson.

Charles Andrews, Fred Antibus, Dick Arens, Lloyd Ashman, Sam Bangs.

Judy Barker, Shirley Barnett, Robert Beck, Chelta Belt, Susan Bertermann.

Stephen Blair, Jayne Blickman, Jim Blythe, Roy Boffo, Michael Boone.

Linda Brandt, Harold Bredell, Janice Bretney, Barbara Brinson, Sandra Bronstrup.

Lorraine Brooks, Linda Brown, Kay Browning, Steve Browning, Nancy Brownson.

Ed Bryan, Sheila Bryan, Harry Buddenbaun, William Buehler, Alfred Burgan.

Minnijo Burris, Sarah Campbell, Willard Campbell, Bob Carr, Linda Cashman.

Juniors

Judy Chambers, Steve Chapin, Jim Ciesar, Lou Clark, Mike Clark.

Jim Cluley, Barbara Cofer, Larry Coffey, Robert Collins, Norben Cooney.

Sylvia Cox, Judy Davis, Maxine Davis, Harry Dawson, Dorothy DeShano.

David Disher, Richard Disher, Martha Dodge, John Dunnewind, Martha Dupes.

George Elliott, Joe Etchison, Richard Fairchild, Judith Farmer, Nick Ferrell.

Joann Fickenworth, Clifford Fiscus, Sue Fisher, Denise Flack, Scott Ford.

Morgan Fraley, Barbara Freeland, Robert Fuller, Joseph Gaddis, Charles Gilkison.

Larry Gold, Marcia Gorrill, Geraldine Gray, Thomas Green, Ann Grosskopf.

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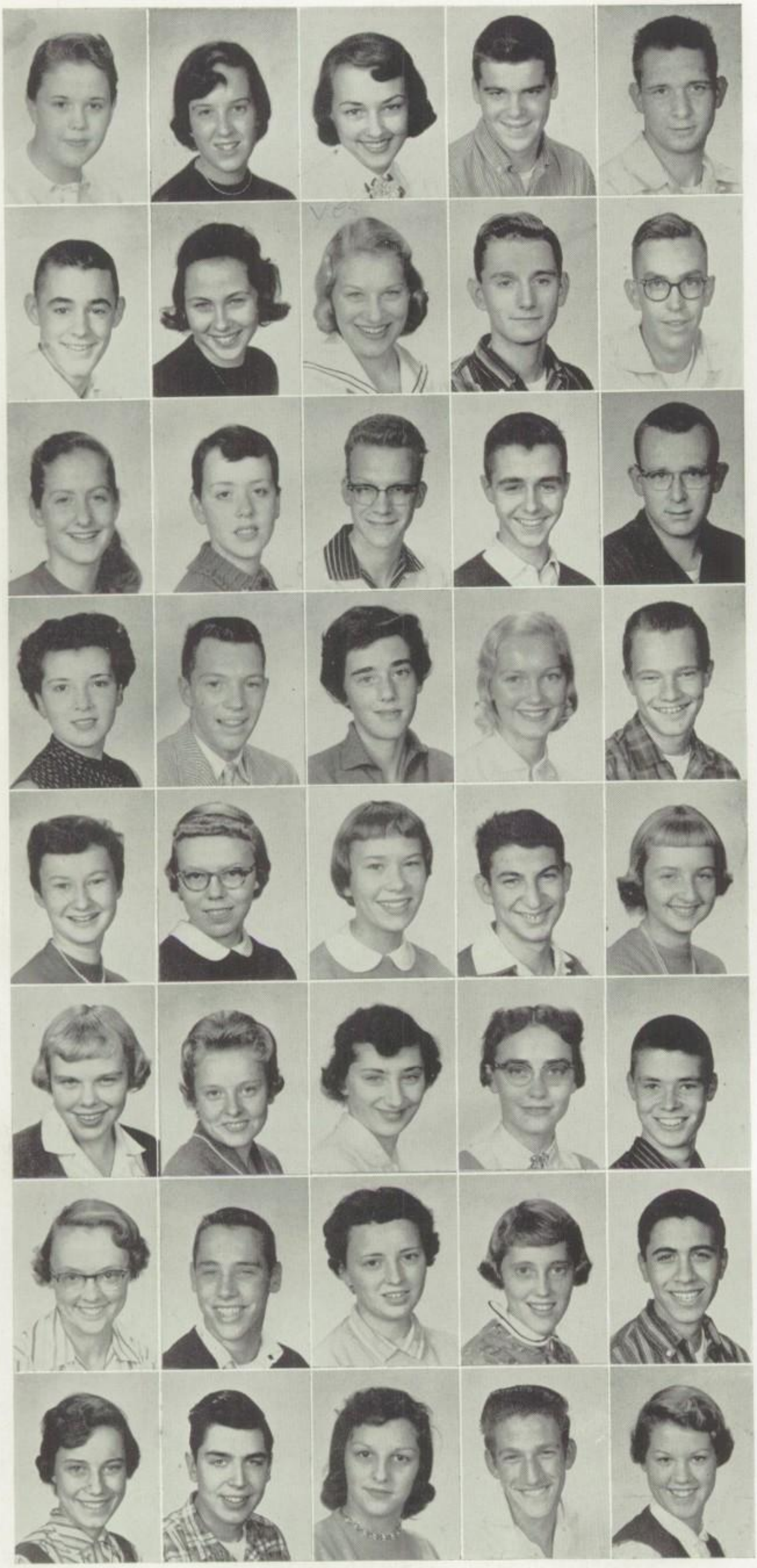

Janise Hall, Sharon Hall, Barbara Hammer, Dan Harlan, George Harmon.

Charles Harrison, Carol Harvey, Susan Harvey, Richard Hayworth, James Hedback.

Adra Heider, Pat Henry, Kurt Henschen, Charles Hepburn, Mike Hern.

Judith Hindsley, William Hopkins, Judy Horst, Nancy House, Mark Huesing.

Sybil Hudgins, Rosanne Iles, Sandra Jacklin, James Jacks, Priscilla Jackson.

Shirley Janke, Shirley Jarrett, Carolyn Jennings, Joanne Johnson, Thomas Johnson.

Andrea Kachel, Dan Kelly, Janet Kidd, Sharon Kiel, Mike Klezmer.

Beverly Klunder, Wesley Knauss, Marilyn Knoebel, Frank Krahulik, Jacqueline Kuilema.

Juniors

Rod Lane, Lynda Lee, Jim Leffel, Charlotte Levan, Sanford Levinson.

Pat Lewis, Linda Lierman, Linda Logan, Joanne Lorenz, Robert Loser.

Charles Lugar, Barbara Lund, Gerry Lucas, Bernard Lynch, Linda Lynch.

Charles Lyon, Alexander MacDonald, Lorraine Magarol, Marcia Maher, Terry Martin.

Judith Mayer, Brenda McChristian, Marvelle McClain, Denise McGlashan, Linda McKinney.

Jane Metcalf, Nancy Minnis, Judith Mitchell, Judy Moneyhun, Linda Morge.

Deanna Moser, Jack Munro, Martha Nees, Robert North, Frederick Obenchain.

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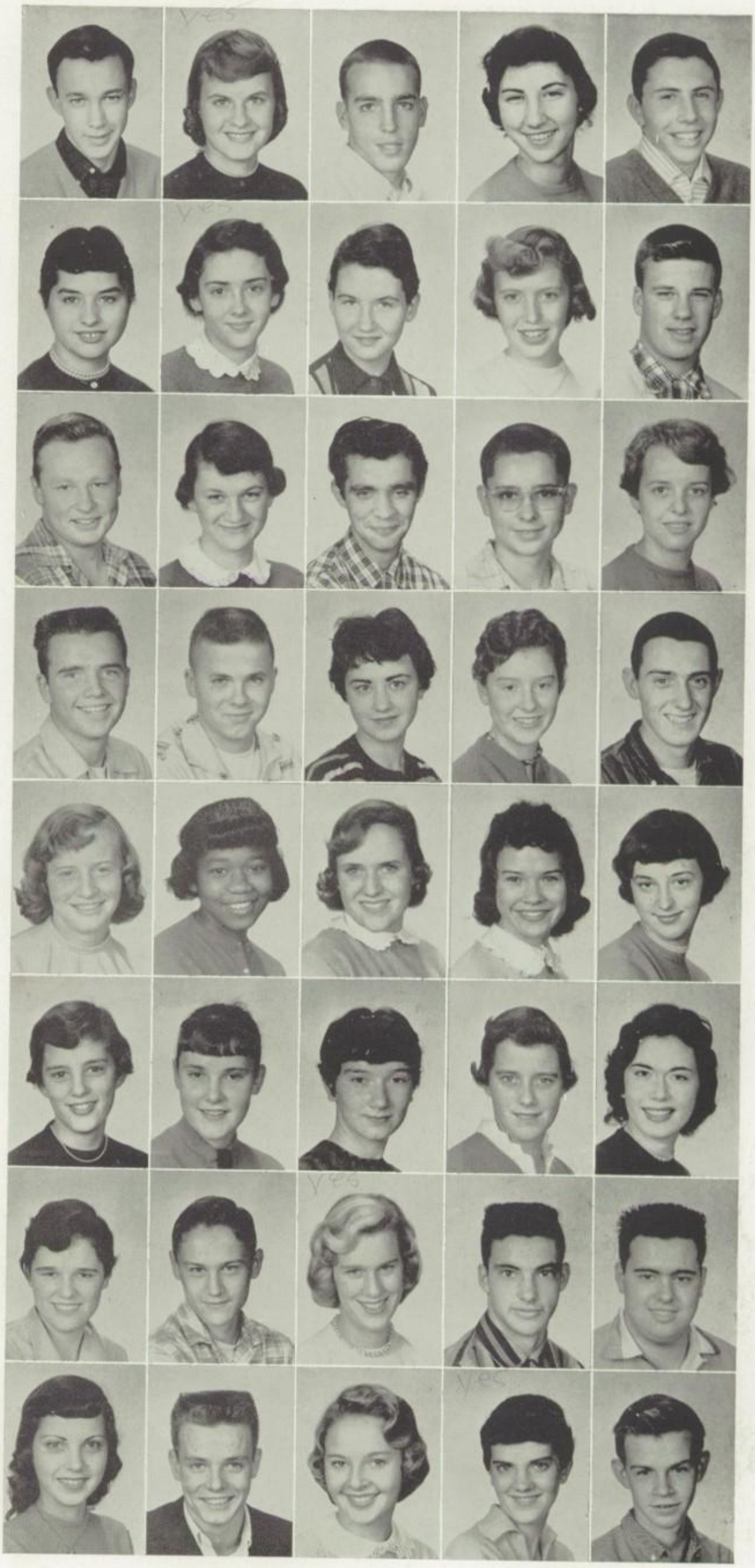

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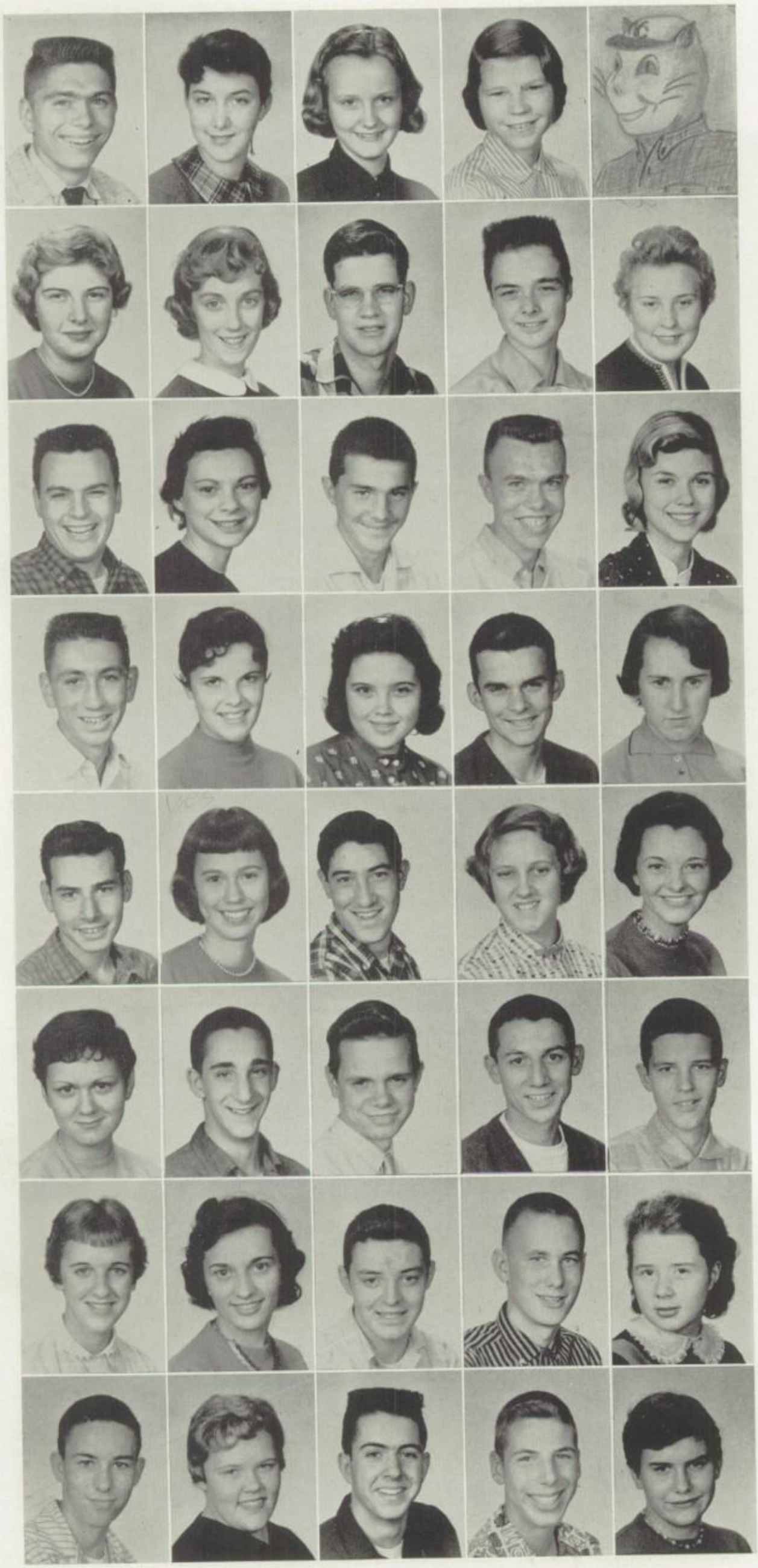

James Peterson, Myrna Pettit, Caroline Petty, Christy Phillips, Percy Panther.

Mary Poehler, Ellen Porteous, George Quigley, Robert Rausch, Sheila Reed.

Corwin Reynolds, Sara Richwine, Tom Riley, Thomas Robb, Carolynn Ross.

John Ruch, Sally Sage, Nancy St. John, Ferd Samper, Shirley Sanford.

Harry Satinsky, Gretchen Schafer, Alvin Schuchman, Anita Schetter, Peggy Scruggs.

Barbara Sears, Don Seeley, Dale Sering, John Shreve, David Siersdale.

Lynn Signorino, Virginia Sims, Fred Sisson, Don Smith, Gloria Smith.

Robert Smith, Peggy Snyder, Jack Sparks, Herb Spier, Cathleen Stang.

Juniors

Tim Stapleton, Mary Stark, Mary Stephens, Nancy Stephenson, Wayne Stewart.

Steve Striebeck, Janet Sunderland, Ann Takayoshi, Dennis Takayoshi, Don Tolan.

Dick True, Nancy Turner, Sue Vance, Joyce VanMeter, Nancy Varnes.

Glenn Waller, Yvonne Walton, Lawrence Warren, Marean Weaver, James Wells.

Marilyn Westfall, Judy Whitacre, Janice Whitehead, Judy Whitenack, Bill Wiederrecht.

Tim Wilcox, William Williams, Barbara Williamson, Brenda Williamson, Marilyn Wilmore.

Fred Wilson, Marlene Winters, Richard Wieser, Becky Wolf, Catherine Zickler.

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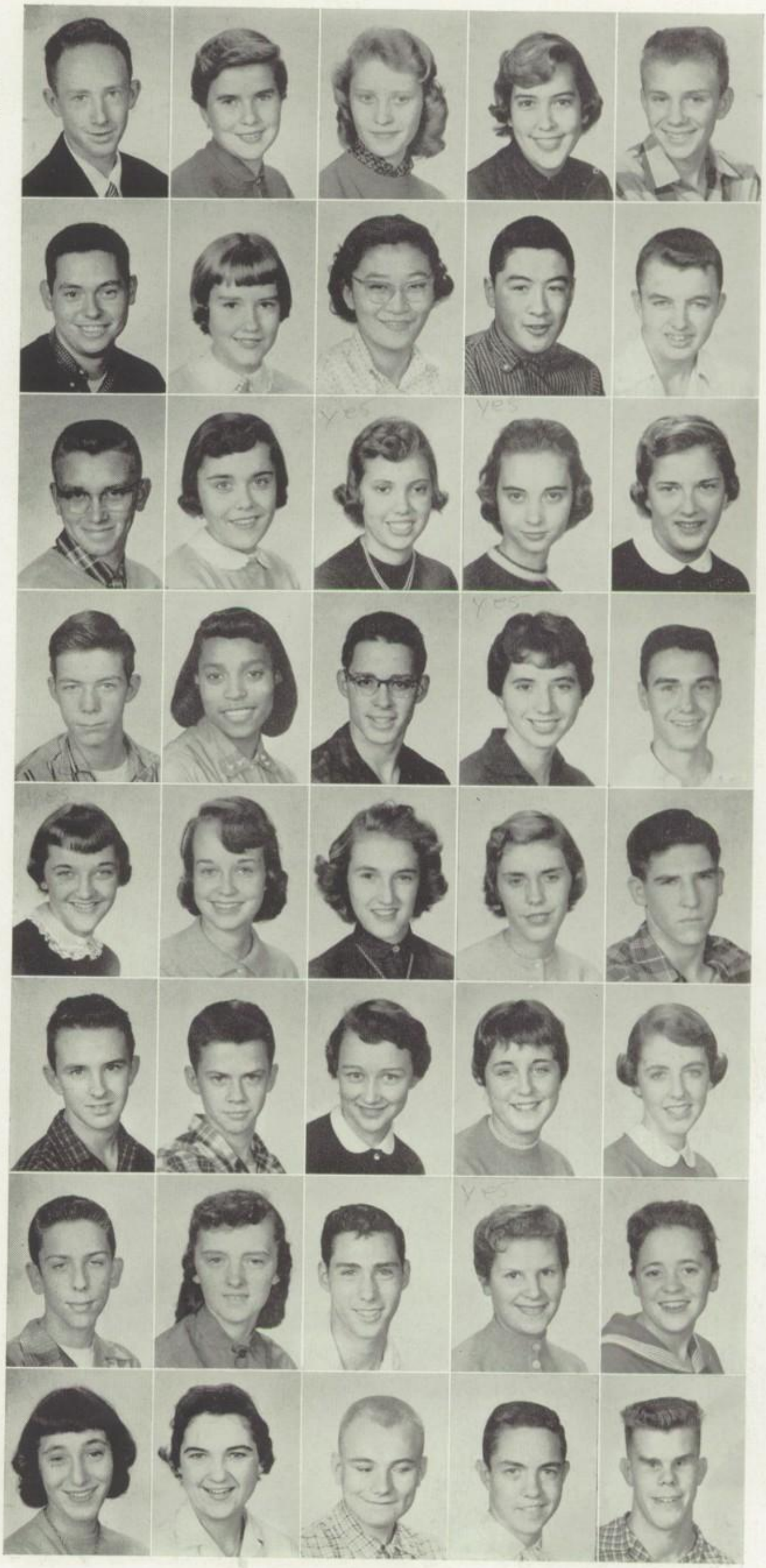

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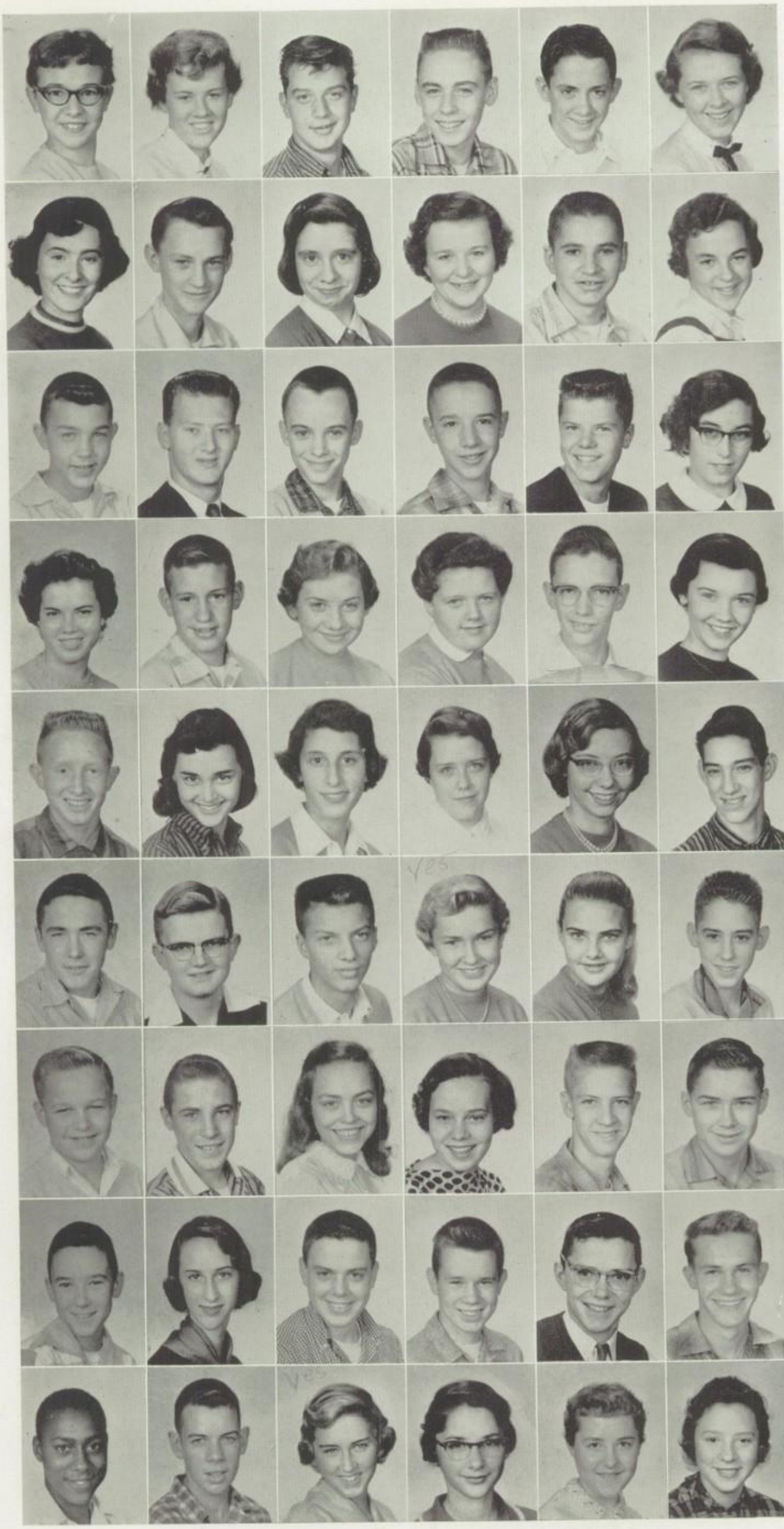

Nancy Abdon, Margaret Ailes, Gary Alderman, Floyd Allen, Pat Allison, Sue Armstrong.

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Sandy Bernard, Robert Berner, Phyllis Bernstein, Susan Berry, Dick Bishop, Donna Bishop.

Donald Black, Marcia Black, Susan Block, Charlotte Boggess, Susan Boggs, Robert Boothe.

Donald Bowen, Bill Brickson, Randy Briggs, Sherry Brooks, Melodye Brown, Ronald Brown.

John Bryant, Ronny Buesking, Carol Burton, Carolyn Campbell, Henry Carr, Dietrich Carter.

Steve Carter, Barbara Charron, Tom Chase, Don Claffey, Jim Clark, Brent Lindenberg.

Ralph Clay, Dave Cockerille, Nancy Colville, Nita Colville, Karen Conrad, Susan Cooling.

Sophomores

Steve Coons, Kay Cooper, Ed Copeland, Jack Cork, Mitchell Coyle, Larry Criss.

Ruth Crissman, Beverly Cummins, Patricia Dailey, Tanya Dare, Barbara Dawson, Melvin Dawson.

Judy DeMarco, Mike Dickson, Paul Dierberger, JoAnn Ditzenberger, Michael Dobson, Cathie Duck.

Bob Dugan, John Dugan, Dianne Duke, Brian Duwe, Tom Easton, Dick Eaton.

Gail Eaton, Sandra Eby, Bob Echard, Pete Egbert, Janet Eliason, Nancy Elliott.

Fred Ellis, Jane Elrod, David Epperson, Gretchen Erickson, Philip Estridge, Susan Etshokin.

Janet Eyden, Cobina Ferracane, Neill Fields, Carolyn Fiesel, Lynne Fobes, Linda Ford.

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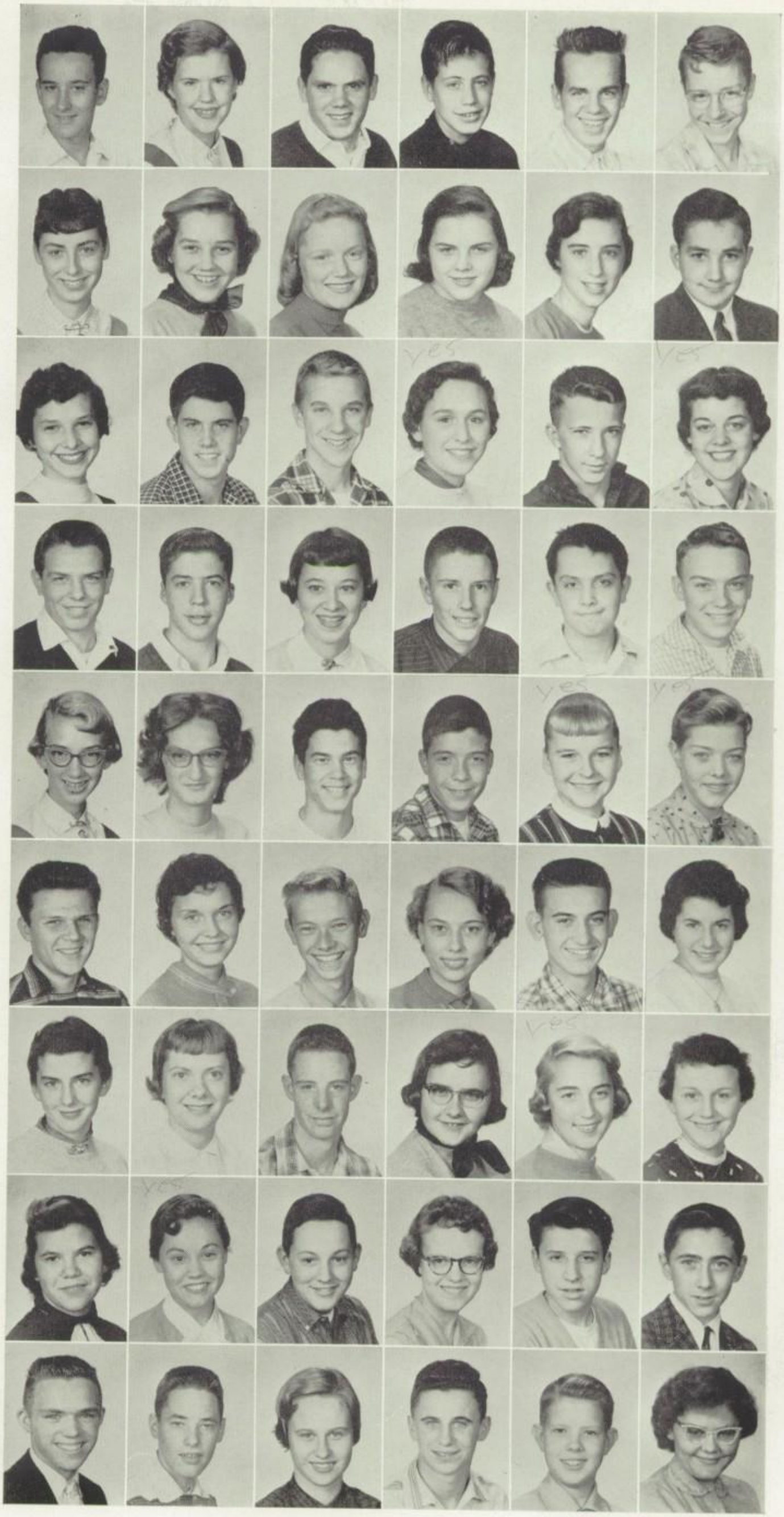

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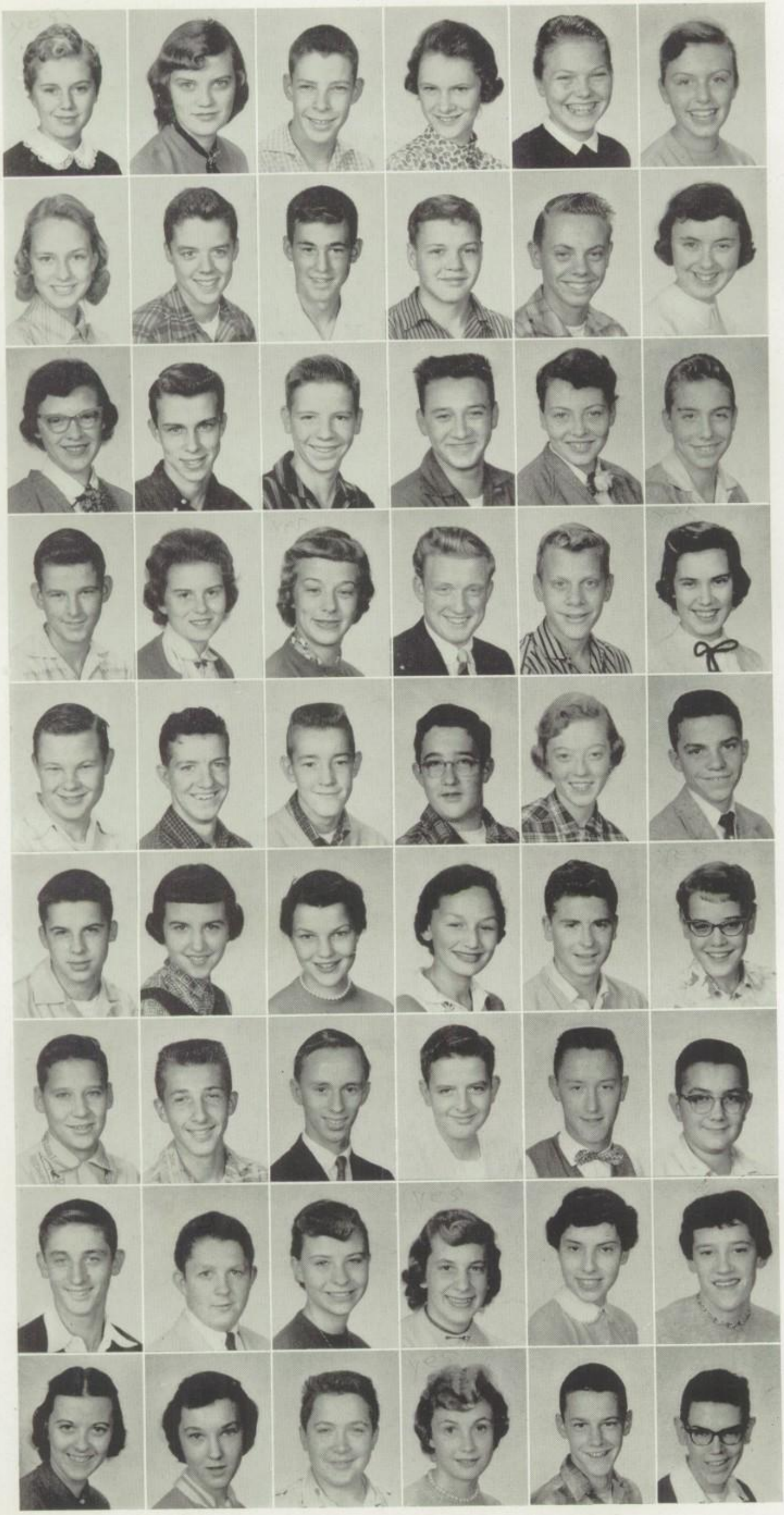

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Norman Heinrichs, Sandra Heisterkamp, Anne Hendricks, Robert Hendrickson, Gary Henschen, Martha Herrin.

Joseph Higbee, Ed Hill, Stanley Hines, Charles Hitchcock, Deanna Hood, Tom Hopkins.

Ronnie Humphreys, Janet Humston, Marjo Hunt, Bonnie Hurt, Jim Jacoby, Patricia Janes.

Judson Jaqua, Stephen Jay, John Jerman, Dick Jetter, Charles Johnson, Gary Johnson.

Jerrold Johnson, Larry Jones, Suzanne Kaufman, Linda Keller, Patricia Kelley, Cindy Kernahan.

Sarah King, Judith Kinnear, Wayne Knauss, Susan Koffenberger, Fritz Krieg, Terrell Kriegh.

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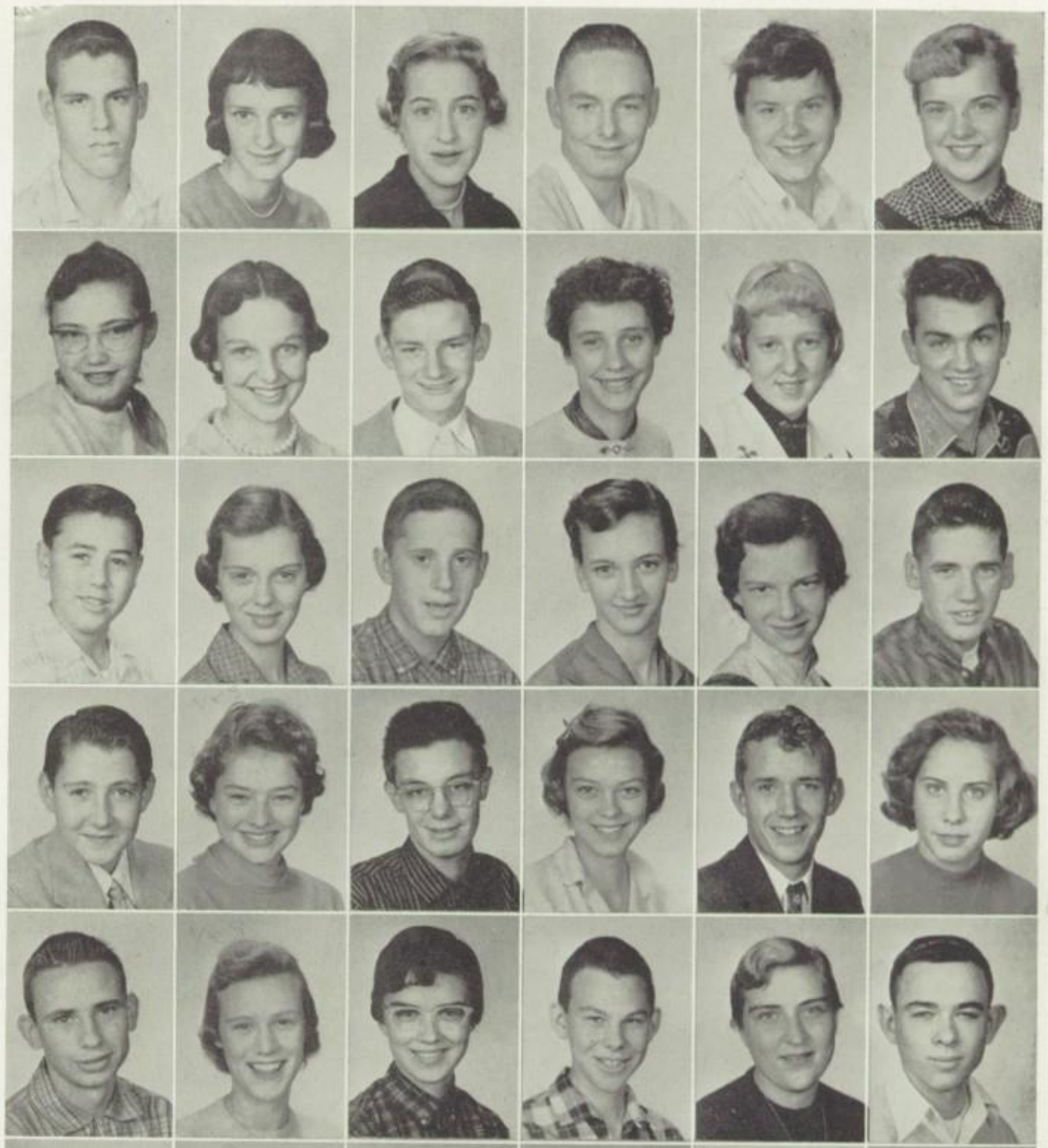

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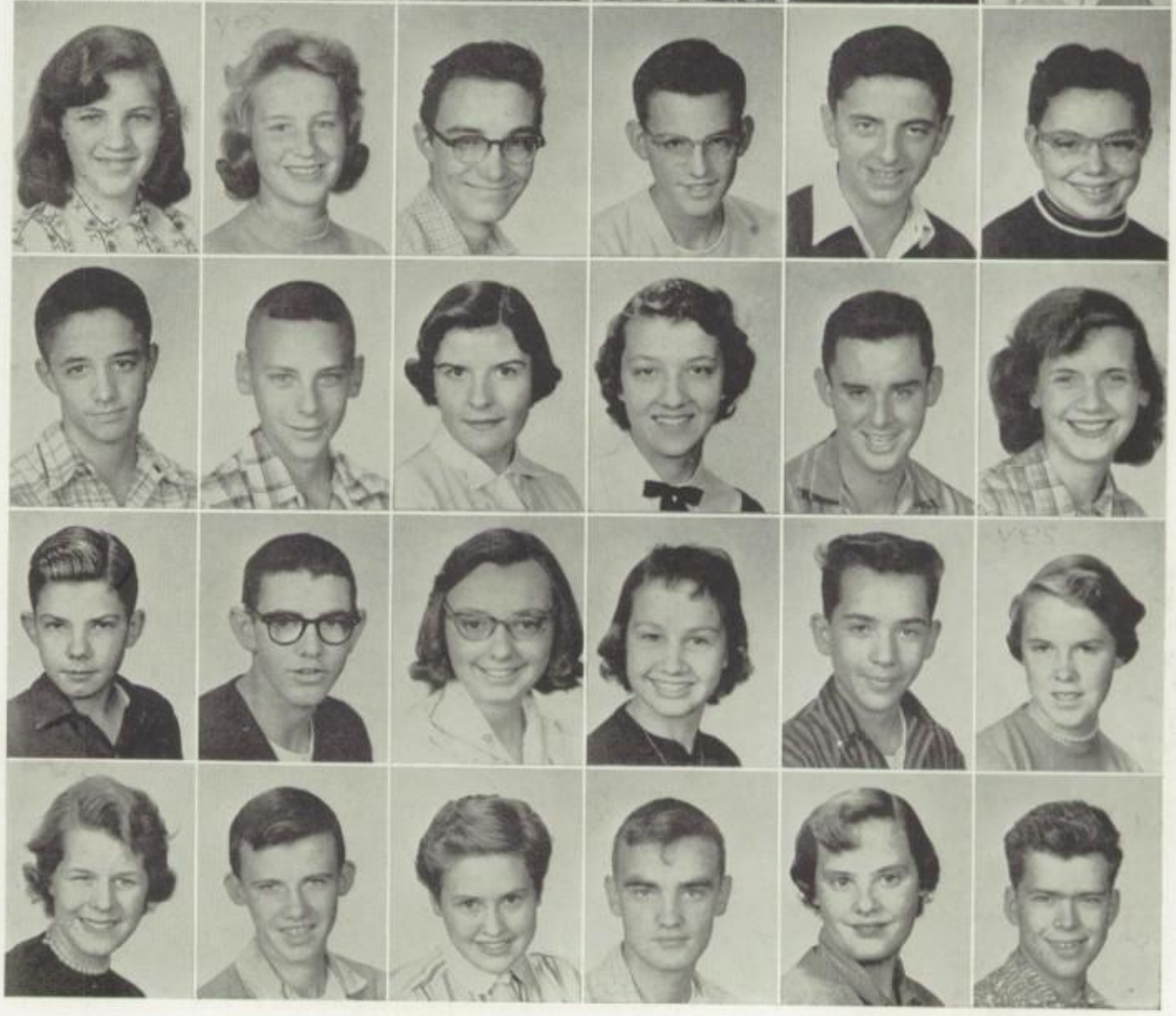

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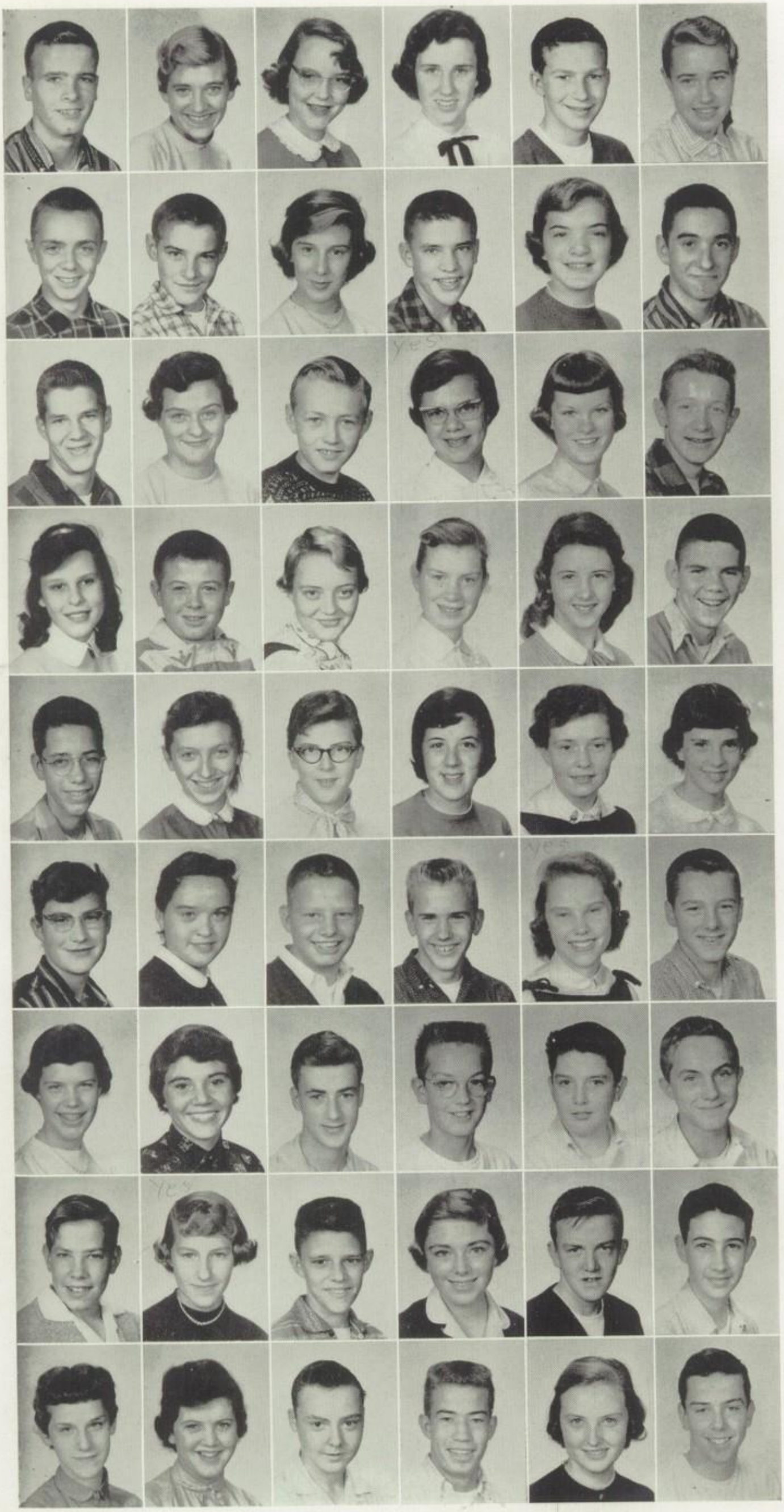

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Joseph Quigley, Sue Quin, Jane Ramsey, Deanie Rasener, Joanne Reberger, Linda Reid.

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Sophomores

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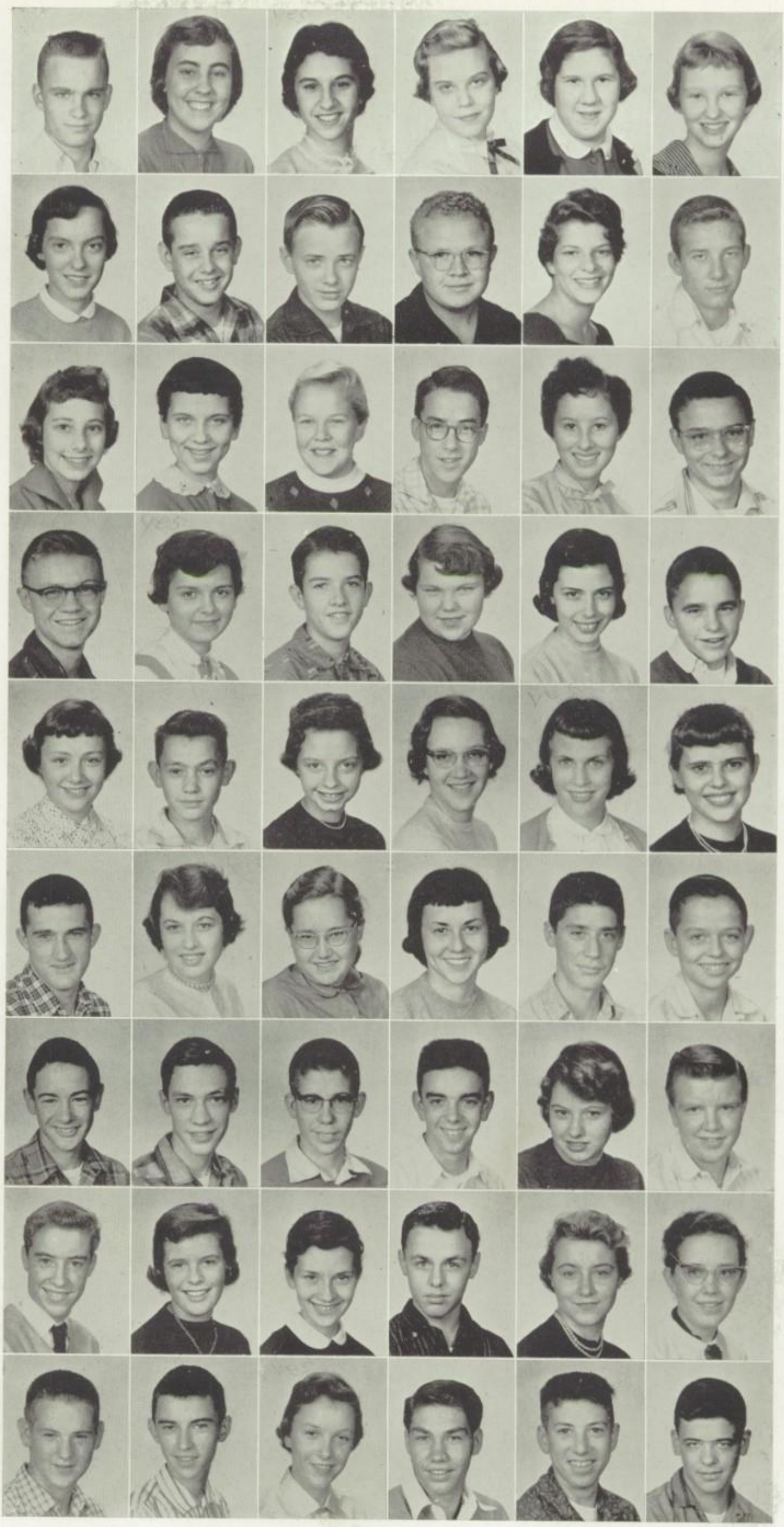

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Dennis Leibowitz, Jack Thompson.

Freshmen

Brenda Abell, David Able, James Adams, Phillip Addison, Charles Alcon, Milburn Aldridge.

Maro Allen, Richard Allen, James Alvis, Philip Amato, Jack Anderson, Mary Anderson.

Robert Angell, Phillip Anweiler, Sue Aycock, John Augustus, Edward Bailey, William Baines.

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Patricia Brafford, Lewis Braun, Phillip Bredell, Clarice Brewer, Hoyt Brewer, Jim Bridges.

Donna Brown, Penny Browning, Mary Buehler, Nancy Bugh, Carol Bull, Howard Bull

Janice Bumpus, Vivian Burgan, Jim Burns, Wayne Burns, Linda Burst, Tom Byfield.

John Campbell, Carole Caplin, Margaret Carr, Steve Carr, Thomas Carr, Dan Carrington.

Betty Cashman, Avie Celender, Sally Chandler, Eleanor Chase, Michael Chenoweth, Larry Chesterfield.

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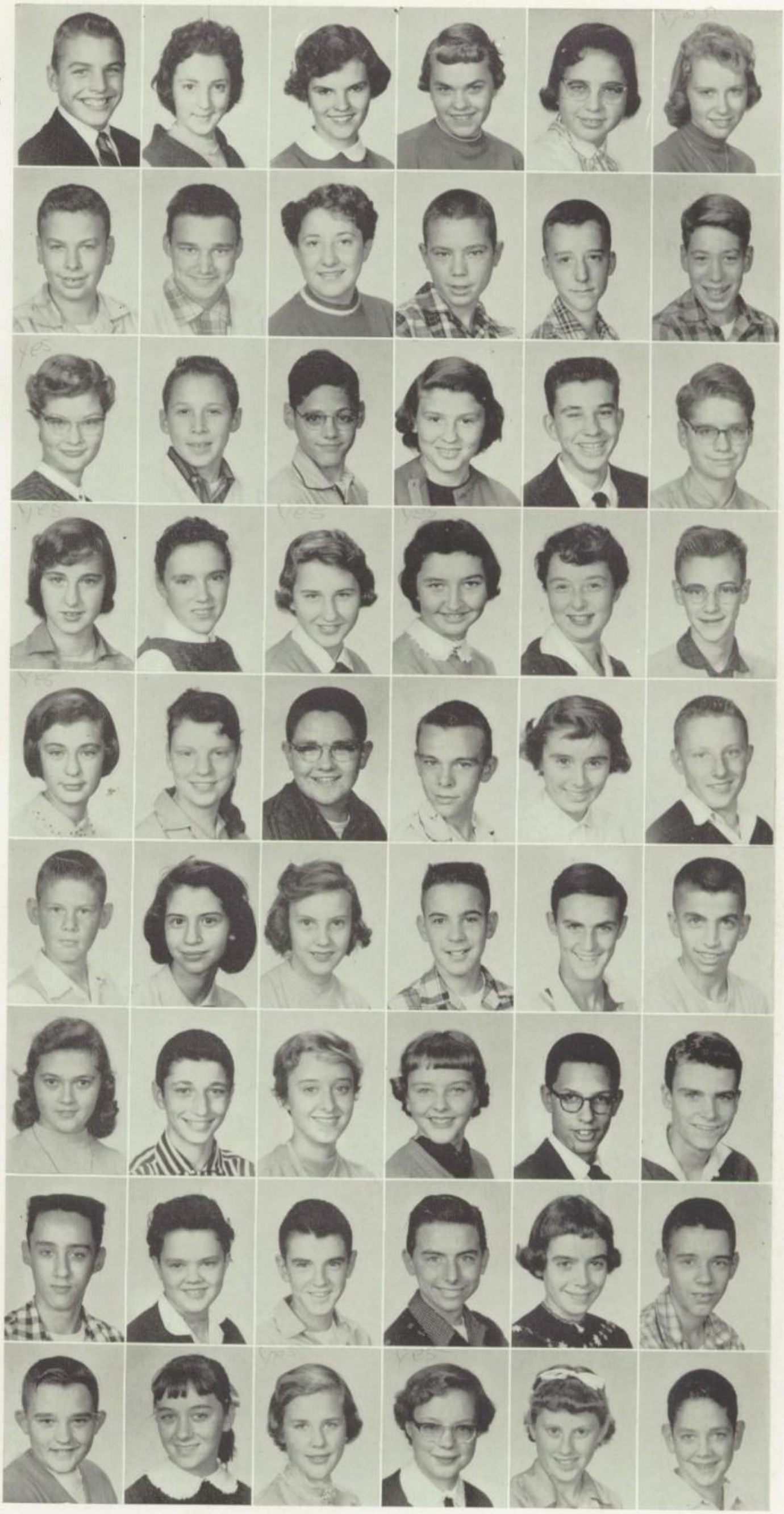

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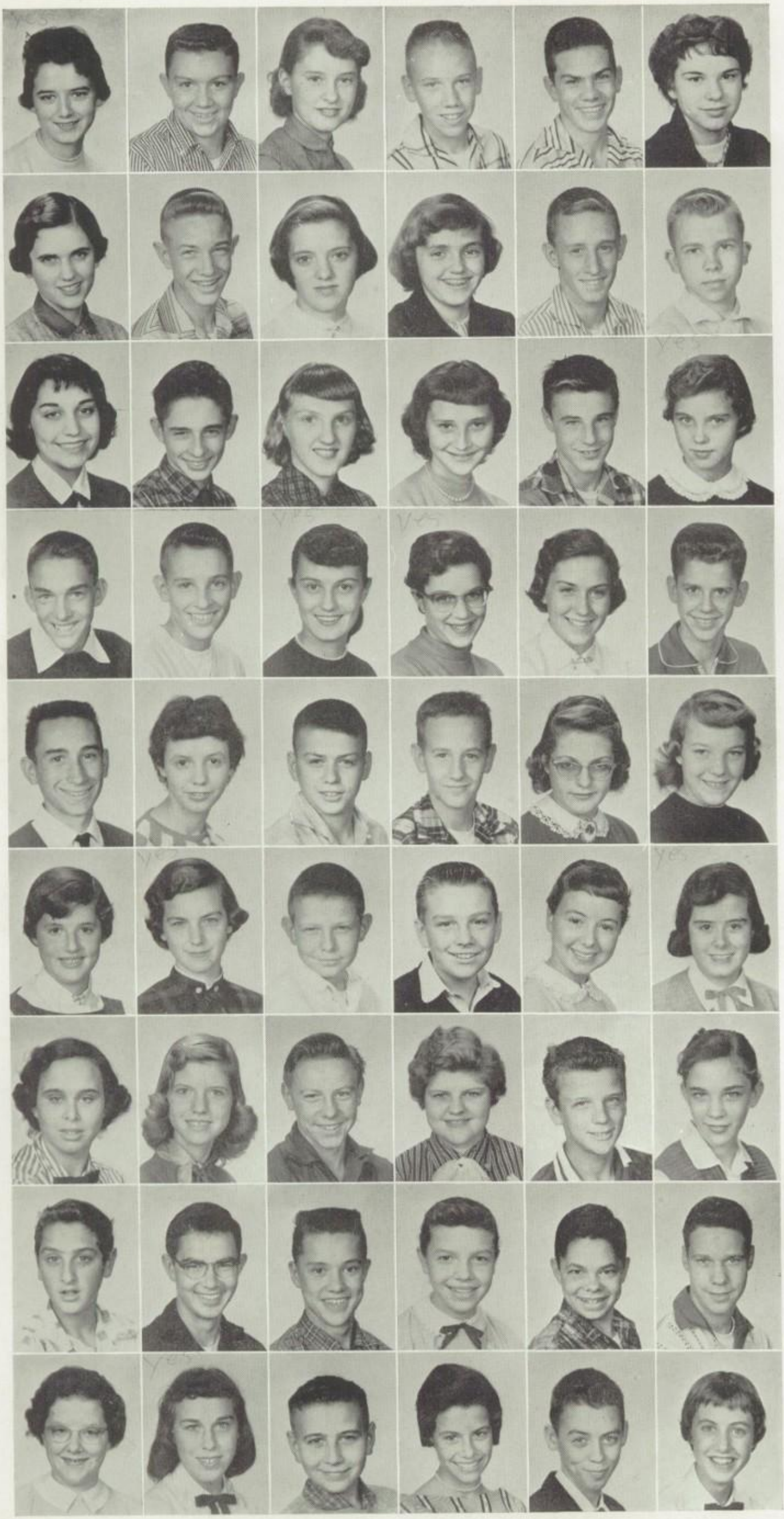

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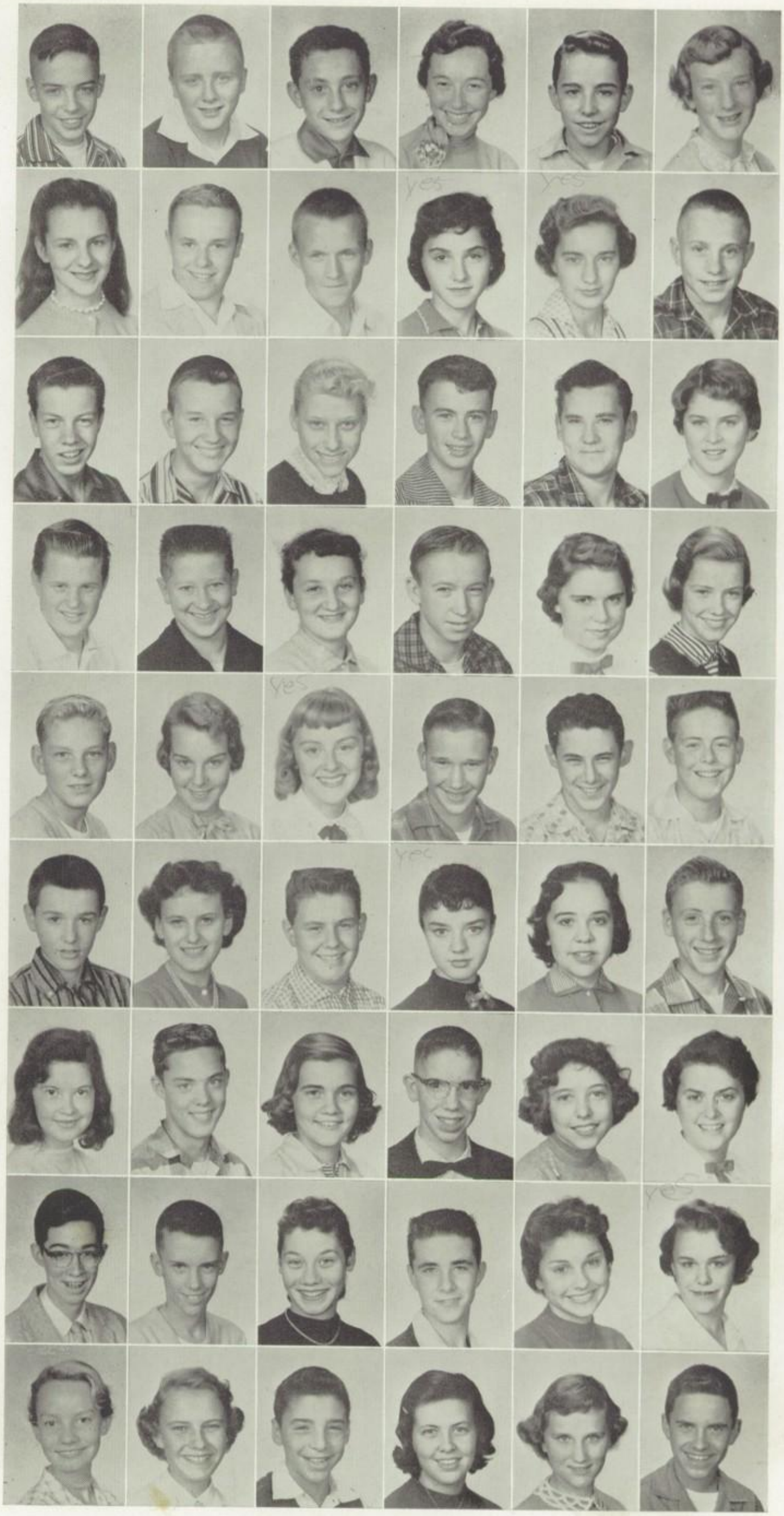

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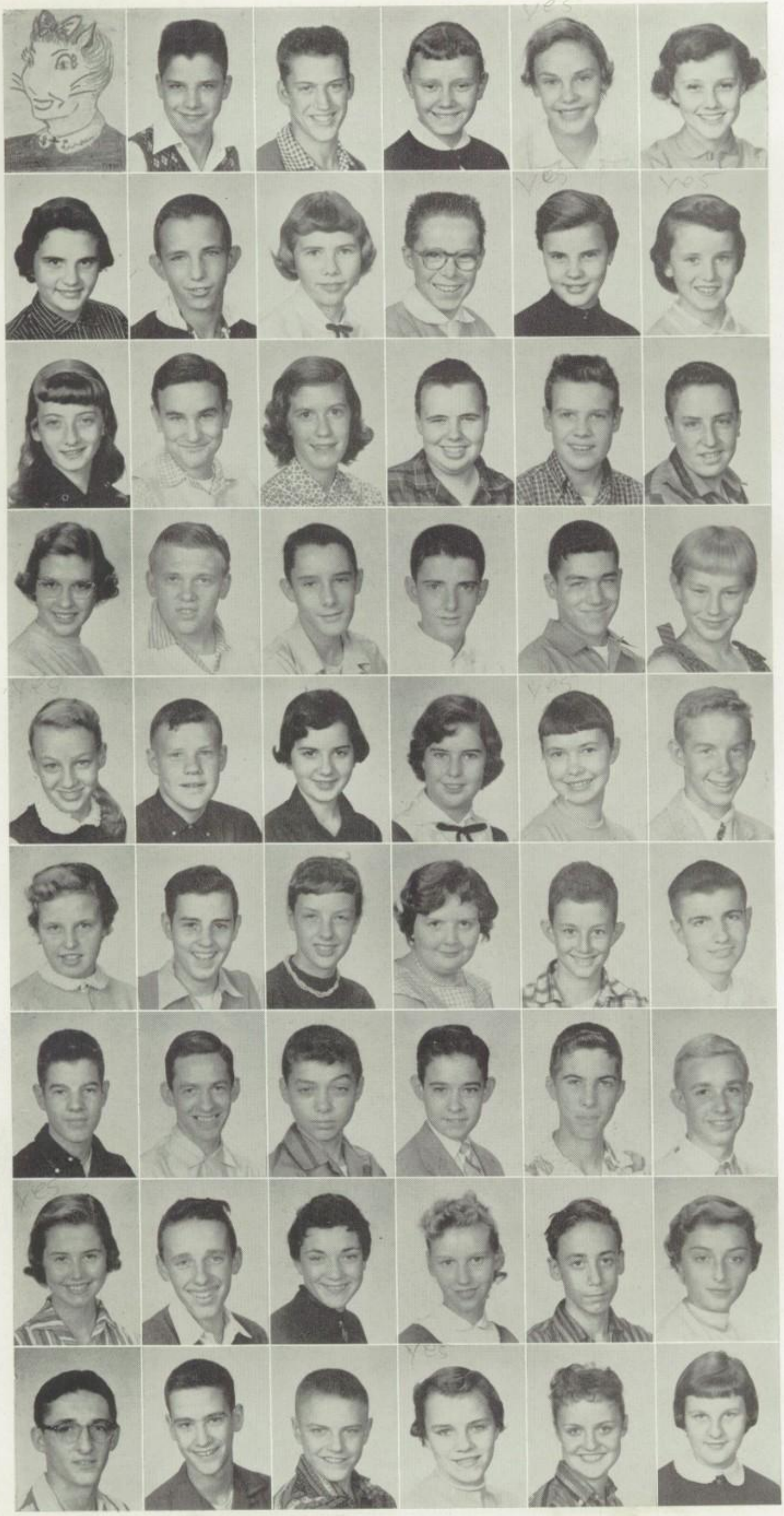

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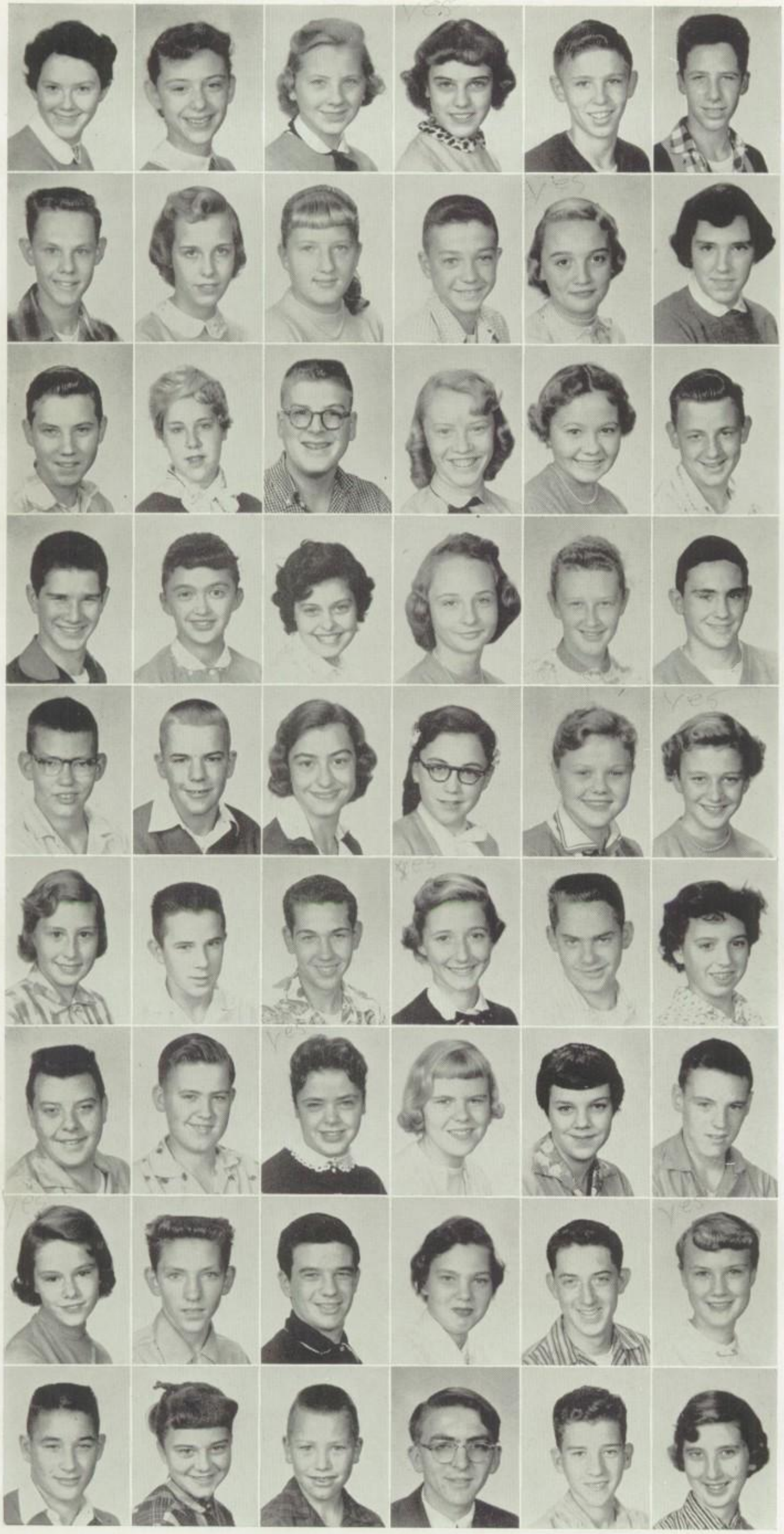

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This Is How It Began . . .

The original School Planning Board included: J. Everett Light, superintendent; A. Logan, member; J. Clifton Hirshman, treasurer; H. L. Pond, vice-president; A. Hamilton Gardner, president; George E. Dougherty, secretary.

The building of the senior high and two junior high schools in Washington Township is an example of democracy in action. They were built by and for residents of Washington Township living outside the city of Indianapolis.

In 1950 the PTA groups of the three grade schools in Washington Township, in cooperation with Indiana University School of Education, made a survey which showed that a rapid growth in school population could be expected in the coming years. Within five years the number of school rooms would need to be doubled and a high school would have to be provided.

At a joint meeting of all the PTA's of Washington Township on May 26, 1953, resolutions were adopted for the organization of the School Building Corporation to construct a high school. The Washington Township School Planning Committee initiated the movement to sell stock for the establishment of the School Building Corporation. The first meeting of initial subscribers was held on July 20, 1953, and the first meeting of the board of directors was held the following month. Kenneth Foster was elected president; A. Hamilton Gardner, vice-president; Claude Warren, secretary; W. H. Millholland, assistant secretary; Adrian Wilhoite, treasurer; and F. T. McWhirter, assistant treasurer.

It soon became obvious that a single high school would not answer the problem of a growing school population. A public meeting was held on November 16, 1953, at which it was voted to adopt the 6-3-3 system for Washington Township. The shareholders approved an amendment to the articles of incorporation to authorize the building of more than one school. This permitted the corporation to plan on erecting one or two junior high schools as well as a senior high school.

It was estimated that $200,000 would need to be raised by public subscription to launch the school building program. These funds would be used for the purchase of land and for preliminary expenses.

Arrangements were made for the sale of debentures and additional stock in the School Building Corporation. On December 17, 1953, the trust agreement was signed under which funds were deposited by persons desiring to purchase debentures. Solicitation of funds was begun by more than 500 volunteers, through the sale of stock, deposit for debentures, and contributions to the Washington Township Foundation. On January 11, 1954, purchase of the site of the senior high school was approved by the Board of Directors. The Everett I. Brown Company was employed as architect for the high school.

In December of 1954, advertisements for construction bids were published and in successive weeks in February, 1955, construction bids were published for the high school, the east junior high school, and the west junior high school. On February 28, 1955, con-

tracts for the construction were awarded by the Board of Directors.

A public hearing was held March 7, 1955, by the Township Advisory Board, on the lease under which the township agreed to pay the School Building Corporation rent for the use of the schools being constructed. The trust indentures to secure the first mortgage bonds and debentures were approved and on April 7 the lease became final. First mortgage bonds and debentures were sold on May 4 and in record time, only eight days later, they were delivered and funds for the construction of three schools, one high and two junior high schools, totaling $6,822,000 were deposited with Indiana National Bank as trustee.

During the time of the development of the School Building Corporation representatives of the parent-teacher groups of Washington Township were also making a thorough study of their school government. It was determined that the politically elected trustee system was not the type of school government to give them the form of school government they wanted. After a great deal of research and consultation with leaders throughout the state and country, the community decided to change their form of school government and establish a non-partisan elected School Board which would in turn hire a Superintendent of Schools and thereby establish a school government similar to the city system throughout Indiana.

In order to get this accomplished, a trustee and an advisory board had to run on the platform of accomplishing this. In the election of the Township Trustee and the Advisory Board in November, 1954, Mr. J. Clifton Hirschman was elected trustee and his Advisory Board was George E. Dougherty, A. Hamilton Gardner, and H. L. Pond. The community then realized that the State Legislature would have to create legislation in order to effect the type of school organization they desired. During the 1955 General Assembly legislation was enacted permitting a township to create a non-partisan system of school government. One of the requirements of the law was that 55% of the voters had to sign a petition requesting the trustee and his advisory board to instigate procedure for establishment of a School Board. This was done with many more hundreds of signatures than were necessary and the Board of Education of the Metropolitan School District of Washington Township was established as of August 1, 1955.

In the meantime, the township trustee and his advisory board had been interviewing and going over credentials of some 40 to 50 people who might be selected as Superintendent. The Board of Education appointed J. Everett Light as of the 1st of August, 1955. The trustee and his advisory board, according to the law, then appointed a fifth Board member, Mr. A. Logan Steele, and these five continued as the School Board until the next following Primary Election. At that election, held in May, 1956, the present Board of Education was elected, they being: A. Hamilton Gardner, president; A. Logan Steele, vice-president; George E. Dougherty, secretary; John T. Barnett, treasurer; and Mrs. Ruth A. Davis, member.

Ground breaking ceremonies for the three schools were held on May 16, 1955.

Names of the three schools were selected by vote of the residents of Washington Township. Names were placed in nomination by school children and school patrons who prepared essays giving reasons for their suggestions. Winners were "North Central High School" by Roberta Swartzell, 8th grade, Fall Creek School; "Eastwood Junior High School" by Barbara Colby, 8th grade, Fall Creek School; "Westlane Junior High School" by Christena L. Clark, Nora School.

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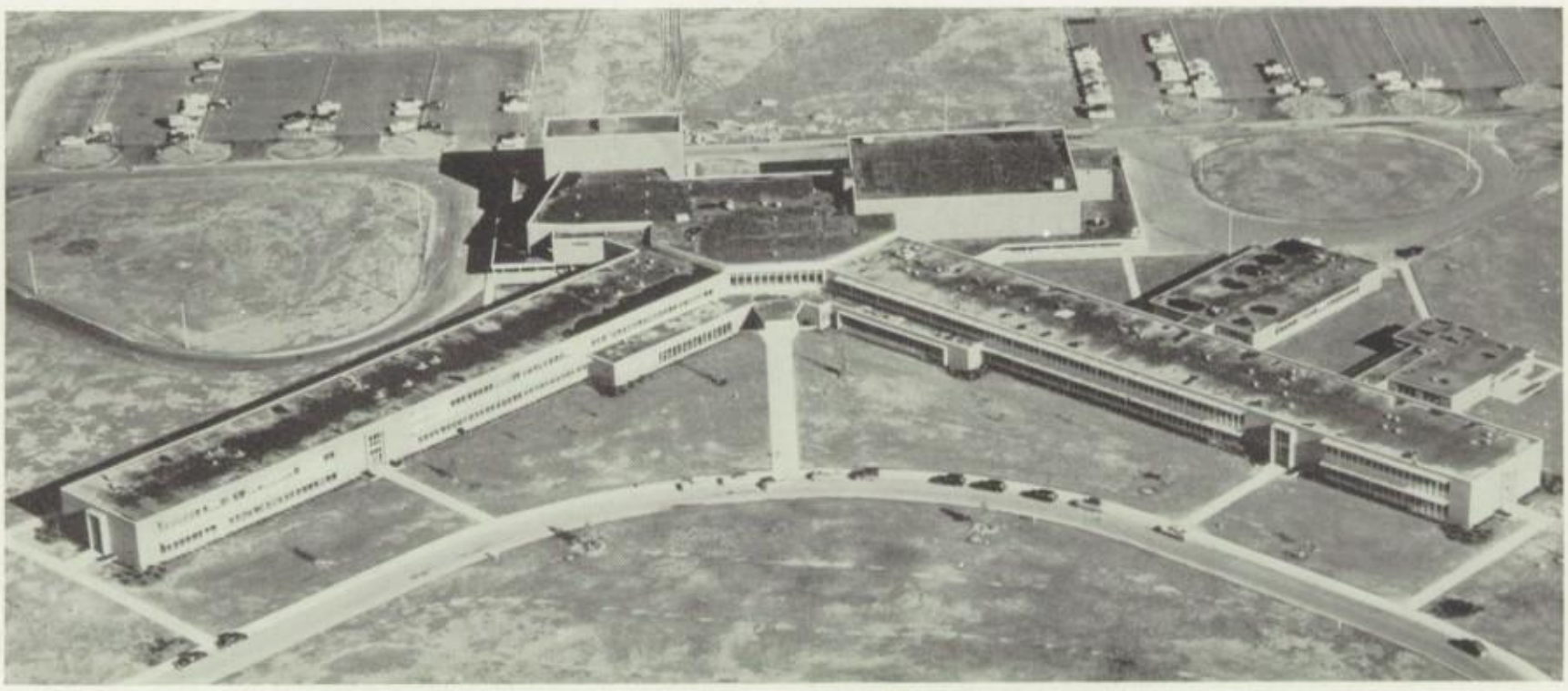

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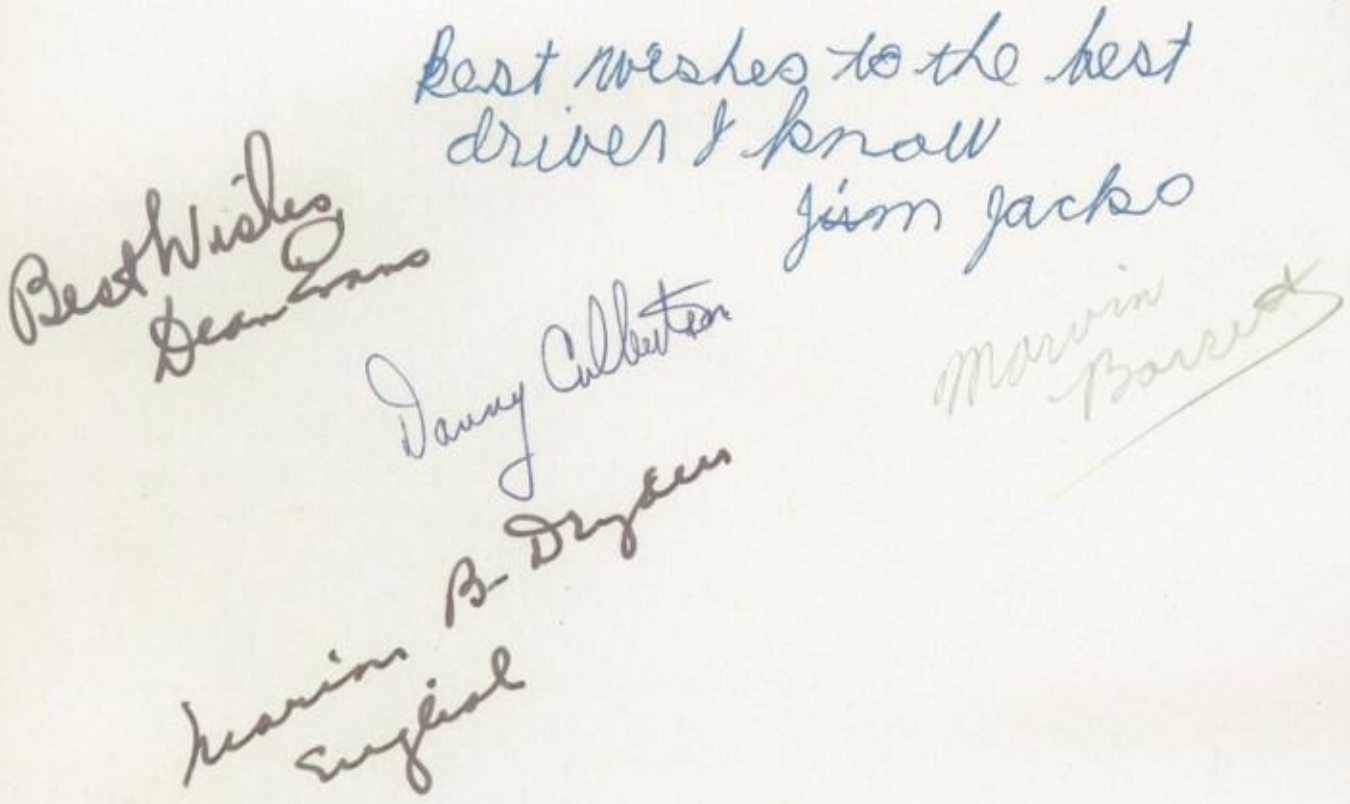
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